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The Honorable William Smith Chair, Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East, Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis MD 21401

RE: Letter of Information – Senate Bill 303 – Talbot County – Speed Monitoring Systems – Intersection of Maryland Route 333 (Oxford Road) and Bonfield Avenue

Dear Chair Smith and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) takes no position on Senate Bill 303 but offers the following information and amendments for the Committee's consideration.

Senate Bill 303 authorizes the use of one speed monitoring system at the intersection of Maryland 303 and Bonfield Avenue. After a permit is issued by MDOT State Highway Administration (SHA), the system would be placed in SHA right-of-way then operated and maintained by the local jurisdiction. Senate Bill 303 directs the revenues generated from the speed camera to be distributed to MDOT SHA and used on safety improvements at the intersection of Maryland 333 and Bonfield Avenue.

The SHA proposes that Senate Bill 303 be amended to expand the area that the revenues generated from the speed camera can be utilized to improve. By incorporating a larger geographic area, SHA could make the best use of the revenues generated from the camera to improve pedestrian safety in Talbot County.

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests the Committee consider this information as it deliberates on Senate Bill 303.

Respectfully submitted,

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