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SB 147 Street Racing and Exhibition Driving – Prohibited Acts, Enforcement & Penalties

Good Afternoon Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and Members of Judicial Proceedings;

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss SB 147, Street Racing and Exhibition Driving. We are seeing this widespread activity known as "Street Racing" on many of the State's roadways and also in surrounding states.

Last year, SB 612 passed both the Senate and the House and was then vetoed by the Governor. It was vetoed as the amended version of the bill inadvertently undermined the effectiveness of the Ocean City -Worcester County exhibition driving law.

I have worked with Ocean City to craft legislation that maintains their ability to maintain public safety while expanding the scope statewide.

It's time to put an end to this dangerous activity, I respectfully request a favorable report on SB 147.