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January 31, 2024

The Honorable Marc Kroman
The Honorable Regina T. Boyce
Environment and Transportation Committee
Room 251
House Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: HB 0356 – School Bus Stops – Monitoring Cameras and Safety Measures
Letter of Opposition

Dear Chairman Kroman, Vice Chair Boyce and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee,

The County Council and the County Executive of Cecil County unanimously oppose HB 0356 - School Bus Stops – Monitoring Cameras and Safety Measures. The hearing on this legislation is scheduled for February 8, 2024.

It is our understanding that this legislation will require a law enforcement agency, under certain circumstances, to issue a warning rather than a citation for a failure to stop for a school vehicle that is recorded by a school bus monitoring camera; and requiring the State Highway Administration to develop a certain plan for improved safety measures at certain school bus stops in Montgomery County and to report its findings on or before December 31, 2024.

Cecil County has growing concerns on the safety of school children. This bill will adversely affect our children by not penalizing those drivers who do not heed the lights on a bus.

The County Executive and County Council of Cecil County respectfully request that the Environment and Transportation Committee send an unfavorable report on HB 0356.

Sincerely,

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Jackie Gregory
President of County Council