



# Montgomery County

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**HB 18**

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**SPONSOR: Delegate Palakovich Carr**

**ASSIGNED TO: Environment and Transportation**

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**POSITION: SUPPORT (Montgomery County Department of Police)**

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### **Vehicle Laws – Noise Abatement Monitoring Systems Pilot Program – Inspection and Extension**

House Bill 18 would extend for two years, from October 1, 2025, to October 1, 2027, the reporting and termination dates of the noise abatement monitoring systems pilot program approved for Montgomery County and Prince George's County. Montgomery County Department of Police (MCPD) supports this legislation.

Last year, the General Assembly passed a two-year pilot program allowing the two counties to use automated traffic enforcement systems to monitor noise pollution related primarily to vehicles. The technology uses microphones, sensors, and cameras to automatically detect and record excessive noise levels and capture video footage of the offending vehicle which could be then used in the issuance of a citation. Extending the roll out period for this technology will help to ensure a more successful implementation of the program.

The Montgomery County Department of Police urges the Committee to adopt a favorable report on House Bill 18.