

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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POSITION STATEMENT

PG 308-25 Delegate Long (ENT) Prince George's County – Speed Monitoring Systems – Maryland Route 5

POSITION: SUPPORT

PG 308-25 – Prince George's County – Speed Monitoring Systems – Maryland Route 5. PG 308-25 authorizes the placement and use of speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 5 in Prince George's County, subject to specific placement and signage requirements. The bill mandates that certain revenue generated by violations enforced by these speed monitoring systems be used for State and local highway and pedestrian safety improvements on and in the vicinity of Maryland Route 5 in Prince George's County. Additionally, the bill requires the real-time display of a driver's traveling speed when a speed monitoring system is in operation on this road.

Delegate Long, the bill's sponsor, introduced this legislation in response to the alarming number of fatalities along Maryland Route 5. The tragic loss of lives along this stretch of highway has mirrored similar concerns along Maryland Route 210, also known as "Death Highway" due to its high number of traffic fatalities. This bill aims to change dangerous driving behaviors by using speed monitoring systems to deter speeding and improve road safety.

The fees collected through violations enforced by the speed monitoring systems will be reinvested into the local community to fund road and pedestrian safety improvements. This provision ensures that the revenue generated will directly benefit the very area that has been suffering from the consequences of unsafe driving behavior.

For the foregoing reasons, the Prince George's County Council **SUPPORTS PG 308-25** and respectfully requests your favorable consideration of its position.

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