



# Maryland Chiefs of Police Association Maryland Sheriffs' Association



## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr., Chair and  
Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

FROM: Darren Popkin, Executive Director, MCPA-MSA Joint Legislative Committee  
Andrea Mansfield, Representative, MCPA-MSA Joint Legislative Committee  
Samira Jackson, Representative, MCPA-MSA Joint Legislative Committee

DATE: January 28, 2026

RE: **SB 115 - Motor Vehicles - Automated Speed Enforcement - Improper  
Registration**

POSITION: SUPPORT

The Maryland Chiefs of Police Association (MCPA) and the Maryland Sheriffs' Association (MSA) **SUPPORT SB 115**. This bill strengthens Maryland's automated speed enforcement system by ensuring Maryland residents cannot avoid accountability by registering their vehicles in Virginia.

SB 115 strengthens Maryland's automated speed enforcement system by requiring the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration to enter a data-sharing agreement with the Commonwealth of Virginia, the bill closes a longstanding enforcement gap and ensures that State and local agencies have access to accurate vehicle registration information for issuing citations.

The bill also increases civil penalties for speed camera and work zone violations committed by improperly registered vehicles, creating an effective deterrent against both unsafe driving and improper out-of-state registration. SB115 promotes fairness, enhances roadway safety, and ensures that all drivers are subject to the same accountability standards, regardless of where they choose to register their vehicles.

For these reasons, MCPA and MSA **SUPPORT SB 115** and urge a **FAVORABLE** committee report.