

In Support of SB 173 (2026)

Vehicle Laws – Automated Enforcement – Reciprocal Agreements and Declarations

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

Hearing: January 21, 2026

Position: Favorable

Dear Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and members of the Maryland Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

My name is Rev. Dr. Robert L. Screen Sr., Founder/Facilitator of the MD 210 Traffic Safety Committee and Board Member of Safe Roads MD. I submit This document as my official support for Legislative Bill SB-173 for passage.

For too long the egregious unsafe driving segments of the near and far driving community have exploited the bureaucratic loopholes, created and established by the lack of joint participating traffic enforcement agreements, between adjoining states and municipalities.

Law avoiding unsafe drivers have for decades run rings around and exploited the breeches established by non-participating states and municipalities that lack working reciprocity enforcement policies, to the detriment and danger of the driving public at large.

Reciprocity agreements that will authorize the MVA the authority to refuse to register or re-register a motor vehicle, will go a long way to encouraging an increased safe driving environment on our public roads, and sharpen the teeth in our now mocked, driving enforcement laws for our near and far communities.

For these reasons I strongly support the passage of SB-173 that will bring common sense traffic enforcement laws and policies back into the realm of responsibility and accountability promoting safe public driving roadways at large.

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