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Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee  
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## **SUPPORT: SB0045 Bicyclist Start on Leading Pedestrian Interval**

Bikemore, Baltimore City's livable streets advocacy organization representing more than 8,000 advocates and the 30% of Baltimoreans who lack access to a car, is writing to support SB0045.

Automated Traffic Enforcement is an effective tool for changing behavior and reducing crashes which can result in fatalities and serious injuries to all road users. The Federal Highway Administration recognizes ATE as a Proven Safety Countermeasure. Fixed cameras can reduce injury crashes on urban arterials by up to 47%.

This is especially important for vulnerable road users such as pedestrians, cyclists, the elderly, people with disabilities and schoolchildren who may cross or travel along our roads to access schools, parks, shopping areas and other destinations. Local jurisdictions are most aware of the use and context of local roads and should have the authority to place automated enforcement cameras to increase safety.

By enacting SB0045, the legislature can give all local jurisdictions an additional tool to help achieve the State's goal of zero crash fatalities and serious injuries by 2030. The bill extends the local authority to implement speed monitoring on certain streets statewide from the current statute that applies only to Anne Arundel, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties.

Bikemore encourages your support.

**Sincerely,**

**Jed Weeks**  
**Executive Director**