

March 30, 2026

Re: Favorable report on HB0938: Anne Arundel, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties - Crosswalk Monitoring Systems

Dear Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher and committee members,

Thank you for your service to Maryland.

As a resident of Prince George's County (D22) who travels on foot and bike for much of my grocery shopping and errands, I ask that you please provide a favorable report on HB0938: Anne Arundel, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties - Crosswalk Monitoring Systems.

Drivers regularly run through crosswalks due to lack of attention or blatant disrespect for pedestrians. This makes walking stressful and increases injury risk to walkers, especially for vulnerable populations such as seniors with lower mobility and reaction times, and the many children who must walk to school.

As we have seen with stop signs and speed limits, enforcement is needed to change driver behavior and reduce risks to pedestrians, cyclists and drivers alike. Automated enforcement is cost-efficient and avoids pretextual traffic stops, and the risks involved in traffic stops, such as high-speed changes when suspects flee, or harm to officers or those stopped.

Stop sign cameras have proven effective across numerous municipalities in Prince George's county, as reported in numerous media ([example](#)). Crosswalk cameras are a much-needed addition to the automated enforcement toolbox.

HB0938 also requires that net revenues from tickets be used to improve crosswalk safety, appropriately ensuring that funds support much-needed infrastructure improvements.

Please provide a favorable report on HB0938.

Thank you

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