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MEMORANDUM

TO:	House Judiciary Committee
FROM:	Legislative Committee Suzanne D. Pelz, Esq. 410-260-1523
RE:	Senate Bill 310 Criminal Records – Maryland Judiciary Case Search – Traffic Violation by a Minor
DATE:	March 30, 2026 (3/31)
POSITION:	Oppose

The Maryland Judiciary opposes Senate Bill 310. This bill proposes to prohibit the Maryland Judiciary Case Search from referring to records relating to traffic violations by minors.

This bill will have a significant technological impact on the Judiciary. Specifically, the Judiciary will be required to develop and implement new systems capable of identifying and tracking cases based on the age of the person (rather than the current method by date of birth). This will necessitate substantial modifications to existing case management and public access systems to filter or exclude records involving minors, requiring considerable time, resources, and funding.

In addition, this bill will limit an individual from using Case Search to find useful information regarding their traffic case, such as the time, date, and location of their hearing. This is an inconvenience to our citizens, many of whom depend on the online access for notice and scheduling information. Because the case information will be shielded once the citation or summons is issued, rather than once a disposition is entered,

those persons will have to go to the courthouse to look up their trial date in the event they lose or misplace their citation or summons.

cc. Hon. J.B. Jennings
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