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By: **Prince George’s County Delegation**

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George’s County – Speed Monitoring Systems – Intersection of Suitland**  
3 **Road and Skyline Drive**

4 **PG 310–20**

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing the placement and use of speed monitoring systems at the  
6 southern intersection of Suitland Road and Skyline Drive in Prince George’s County,  
7 subject to certain placement and signage requirements; and generally relating to the  
8 placement and use of speed monitoring systems in Prince George’s County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – Transportation  
11 Section 21–809(a)(1) and (8), (b)(1)(i) and (v), and (c)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article – Transportation  
16 Section 21–809(b)(1)(vi) through (viii)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Transportation**

4 21–809.

5 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

6 (8) “Speed monitoring system” means a device with one or more motor  
7 vehicle sensors producing recorded images of motor vehicles traveling at speeds at least 12  
8 miles per hour above the posted speed limit.

9 (b) (1) (i) A speed monitoring system may not be used in a local jurisdiction  
10 under this section unless its use is authorized by the governing body of the local jurisdiction  
11 by local law enacted after reasonable notice and a public hearing.

12 (v) An ordinance or resolution adopted by the governing body of a  
13 local jurisdiction under this paragraph shall provide that, if the local jurisdiction moves or  
14 places a mobile or stationary speed monitoring system to or at a location where a speed  
15 monitoring system had not previously been moved or placed, the local jurisdiction may not  
16 issue a citation for a violation recorded by that speed monitoring system:

17 1. Until signage is installed in accordance with  
18 subparagraph (vii) of this paragraph; and

19 2. For at least the first 15 calendar days after the signage is  
20 installed.

21 (vi) This section applies to a violation of this subtitle recorded by a  
22 speed monitoring system that meets the requirements of this subsection and has been  
23 placed:

24 1. In Montgomery County, on a highway in a residential  
25 district, as defined in § 21–101 of this title, with a maximum posted speed limit of 35 miles  
26 per hour, which speed limit was established using generally accepted traffic engineering  
27 practices;

1                                    2.      In a school zone with a posted speed limit of at least 20  
2 miles per hour; or

3                                    3.      In Prince George’s County:

4                                    A.      Subject to subparagraph [(vii)] **(VII)(1)** of this paragraph,  
5 on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway); [or]

6                                    B.      On that part of a highway located within the grounds of  
7 an institution of higher education as defined in § 10–101(h) of the Education Article, or  
8 within one-half mile of the grounds of a building or property used by the institution of  
9 higher education where generally accepted traffic and engineering practices indicate that  
10 motor vehicle, pedestrian, or bicycle traffic is substantially generated or influenced by the  
11 institution of higher education; **OR**

12                                    **C.      SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (VII)(2) OF THIS**  
13 **PARAGRAPH, AT THE SOUTHERN INTERSECTION OF SUTLAND ROAD AND SKYLINE**  
14 **DRIVE.**

15                                    (vii) **(1)**      Not more than three speed monitoring systems may be  
16 placed on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway).

17                                    **(2)      NOT MORE THAN TWO SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS**  
18 **MAY BE PLACED AT THE SOUTHERN INTERSECTION OF SUTLAND ROAD AND**  
19 **SKYLINE DRIVE.**

20                                    (viii) Before activating a speed monitoring system, the local  
21 jurisdiction shall:

22                                    1.      Publish notice of the location of the speed monitoring  
23 system on its website and in a newspaper of general circulation in the jurisdiction;

24                                    2.      Ensure that each sign that designates a school zone is  
25 proximate to a sign that:

26                                    A.      Indicates that speed monitoring systems are in use in the  
27 school zone; and

1                   B.     Is in accordance with the manual for and the specifications  
2 for a uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the State Highway Administration  
3 under § 25–104 of this article;

4                   3.     With regard to a speed monitoring system established on  
5 Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) in Prince George’s County **OR AT THE**  
6 **SOUTHERN INTERSECTION OF SUTLAND ROAD AND SKYLINE DRIVE**, or based on  
7 proximity to an institution of higher education under paragraph (1)(vi)3 of this subsection,  
8 ensure that all speed limit signs approaching and within the segment of highway on which  
9 the speed monitoring system is located include signs that:

10                   A.     Are in accordance with the manual and specifications for  
11 a uniform system of traffic control devices adopted by the State Highway Administration  
12 under § 25–104 of this article; and

13                   B.     Indicate that a speed monitoring system is in use; and

14                   4.     With regard to a speed monitoring system placed on  
15 Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) in Prince George’s County, ensure that each  
16 sign that indicates that a speed monitoring system is in use is proximate to a device that  
17 displays a real–time posting of the speed at which a driver is traveling.

18           (c)   (1)    Unless the driver of the motor vehicle received a citation from a police  
19 officer at the time of the violation, the owner or, in accordance with subsection (f)(4) of this  
20 section, the driver of a motor vehicle is subject to a civil penalty if the motor vehicle is  
21 recorded by a speed monitoring system while being operated in violation of this subtitle.

22                   (2)    A civil penalty under this subsection may not exceed \$40.

23                   (3)    For purposes of this section, the District Court shall prescribe:

24                   (i)     A uniform citation form consistent with subsection (d)(1) of this  
25 section and § 7–302 of the Courts Article; and

26                   (ii)    A civil penalty, which shall be indicated on the citation, to be paid  
27 by persons who choose to prepay the civil penalty without appearing in District Court.

28           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

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1 October 1, 2020.