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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County – Speed Monitoring Systems – Town of Forest Heights

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FOR the purpose of authorizing the Town of Forest Heights to place and use speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) between the Interstate 95/495 interchange and the intersection of Kerby Hill Road and Livingston Road in Prince George's County; authorizing the Town of Forest Heights, after a certain allocation of funds collected as a result of certain speed monitoring systems, to use the balance of funds for public safety purposes, highway improvements, and traffic–calming measures in Forest Heights; and generally relating to speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway) in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7–302(e)(4)(i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

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

Section 7–302(e)(4)(vii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(a)(1) and (9) and (b)(1)(i)1.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(1)(vi)3.A. and (vii)1.
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 21–809(b)(1)(xiii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2026 Supplement)

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

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

7–302.

(e) (4) (i) Except as provided in paragraphs (5) and (6) of this subsection, from the fines collected by a political subdivision as a result of violations enforced by speed monitoring systems, work zone speed control systems, stop sign monitoring systems, school bus monitoring cameras, bus lane monitoring systems, or noise abatement monitoring systems, a political subdivision:

1. May recover the costs of implementing and administering the speed monitoring systems, work zone speed control systems, stop sign monitoring

systems, school bus monitoring cameras, bus lane monitoring systems, or noise abatement monitoring systems; and

2. Subject to subparagraphs (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this paragraph, may spend any remaining balance solely for public safety purposes, including pedestrian or highway safety programs.

(VII) FROM THE FINES COLLECTED BY THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS AS A RESULT OF VIOLATIONS ENFORCED BY SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS PLACED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 21–809(B)(1)(XIII) OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE, ANY BALANCE REMAINING AFTER THE ALLOCATION OF FINES UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I)1 OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE USED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES, HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS, OR TRAFFIC–CALMING MEASURES IN FOREST HEIGHTS.

Article – Transportation

21–809.

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

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

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

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

3. In Prince George's County:

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

(vii) 1. Not more than **[**six**]** **EIGHT** mobile or stationary speed monitoring systems may be placed on Maryland Route 210 (Indian Head Highway).

(XIII) THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS MAY PLACE TWO SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS ON MARYLAND ROUTE 210 (INDIAN HEAD HIGHWAY) BETWEEN THE INTERSTATE 95/495 INTERCHANGE AND THE INTERSECTION OF KERBY HILL ROAD AND LIVINGSTON ROAD.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2027.