Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/3/2009 **Reference No.:** CB-037-2009

Draft No.: 2

Proposer(s): County Executive

Sponsor(s): Olson, Turner, Dernoga, Campos, Knotts

Item Title: An Act authorizing the County to utilize speed monitoring systems pursuant to Section

21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Drafter: Joseph R. Hamlin, Office of Law

Resource Personnel: Vernon R. Herron, Deputy COA for Public Safety

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:9/22/2009Executive Action:11/16/2009 SCommittee Referral:9/22/2009 - THEEffective Date:1/4/2010

Committee Action: 10/13/2009 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/13/2009

Public Hearing: 11/3/2009 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/3/2009 - ENACTED

Council Votes: MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, AH:A, TK:-, EO:A, IT:A

Pass/Fail:

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

26-101, 26-114.01

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation, Housing and Environment

Date 10/13/2009

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 as amended (draft 2) (In favor: Council Members Dernoga, Dean, Turner, Knotts and Harrison)

The Legislative Officer provided a summary of the bill and referral comments that were received. CB-37-2009 authorizes the County to utilize speed monitoring systems pursuant to Section 21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Representatives from the Police Department, The Revenue Authority and provided additional information to the Committee.

The Office of Law determined that CB-37-2009 was in proper legislative form.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there may be a positive fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CB-37-2009.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This legislation will authorize the County to install and utilize speed monitoring systems to enforce the speed limit on roads within the County.

Chapter 500, 2009 Laws of Maryland authorized the use of photographic speed monitoring systems by all counties and municipalities in the State. The State law requires that the use of a speed monitoring system by a local jurisdiction be authorized by local law enacted after reasonable notice and a public hearing. Procedures for the maintenance and operation of speed monitoring systems, and for the issuance of civil citations are set forth in the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The State law also requires that local authorizing legislation provide that for a period of at least 30 days after the first speed monitoring system is placed in the local jurisdiction, a violation recorded by any speed monitoring system in the local jurisdiction may be enforced only by the issuance of a warning.

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