Bill No. 37-11
Concerning: Motor Vehicles and Traffic – School Bus Safety Cameras
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COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Councilmembers Ervin, Andrews and Rice, Council President Berliner, Councilmember Elrich, Council Vice President Navarro, and Councilmembers Riemer, Floreen, and Leventhal

AN ACT to:

(1) authorize the use of cameras on certain County school buses to monitor vehicles overtaking a stopped school bus under certain circumstances;
(2) authorize the Executive, by regulation, to establish appropriate penalties for a violation;
(3) provide for enforcement of certain Maryland transportation laws in the County through the use of school bus safety cameras; and
(4) generally authorize and regulate the use of school bus safety cameras in the County.

By adding
Montgomery County Code
Chapter 31, Motor Vehicles and Traffic
Section 31-9B

Boldface	*Heading or defined term.*
Underlining	*Added to existing law by original bill.*
[Single boldface brackets]	*Deleted from existing law by original bill.*
Double underlining	*Added by amendment.*
[[Double boldface brackets]]	*Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.*
* * *	*Existing law unaffected by bill.*

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:

Sec. 1. Section 31-9B is added as follows:

31-9B. School Bus Safety Cameras Authorized.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this Section:

Board means the County Board of Education.

Chief means the County Police Chief.

Violation means a violation of Transportation Article §21-706.

School bus means a bus operated by the Board to transport students.

School bus safety camera means a camera placed on a school bus that is designed to capture a recorded image of a driver of a motor vehicle committing a violation authorized by Transportation Article §21-706.1.

(b) The Chief, after consulting with the Board, may install, operate, and maintain school bus safety cameras on school busses as permitted by Transportation Article §21-706.1.

(c) A person who commits a violation recorded by a school bus safety camera is subject to a civil penalty authorized by Transportation Article §21-706.1.

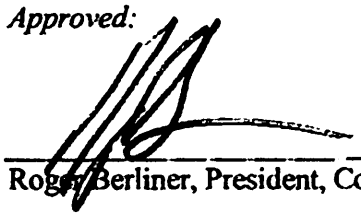
(d) The Executive, by Method 2 regulation, must establish the amount of the civil penalty up to a maximum of $250.

(e) The County must use any fines collected by the County for a violation recorded by a school bus safety camera:

(1) to recover the costs of installing, operating, and maintaining school bus safety cameras; and

(2) for public safety purposes, including pedestrian safety programs.

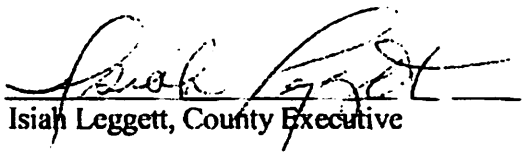
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Roger Berliner, President, County Council — Date

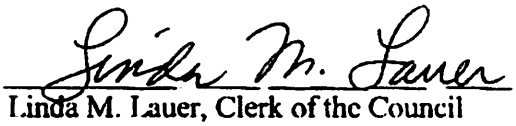
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This is a correct copy of Council action.



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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council — Date