



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor

Kevin Davis
Police Commissioner

July 18, 2016

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Room 400, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

**Re: City Council Bill 16-0706
Speed Monitoring or Control Systems - Corrective**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD or the Department) has reviewed the Council Bill 16-0706 regarding Speed Monitoring or Control Systems. This bill would add a provision, newly required by State law, that imposes certain limits on the enforcement of a school zone speed monitoring system that has been moved to or placed at a new location. The bill clarifies certain distinctions between a school zone speed monitoring system and a work zone speed control system, and contains other conforming, correcting, and clarifying language.

The Department understands that this enabling language is required to be enacted pursuant to legislation that passed during the 2014 Legislation Session of the Maryland General Assembly. Specifically, Baltimore City must adopt language detailing the compliance with a State statute regarding signage and a minimum of a 15-day warning period. BPD supports this bill as it will bring the City into compliance with State law.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. The Department looks forward to working with the City Council on this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew G. Vetter
Director of Government Affairs

