

1 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

2
3 2012 Legislative Session

4 Legislative Day # 7

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6 BILL NO. 2012-06

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8 Introduced by: Charles County Commissioners

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11 SCHOOL BUS CAMERA MONITORING SYSTEMS

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16 Date introduced: 03 / 20 / 2012

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18 Public Hearing: 04 / 17 / 2012 @ 3:30 p.m.

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20 Commissioners Action: 04 / 17 / 2012

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22 Commissioner Votes: CQK: Y, RC: Y, KR: Y, DD: Y, BR: Y

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24 Pass/Fail: Pass

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26 Effective Date: 06 / 01 / 2012

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29 Remarks:

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1 CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Charles County, Maryland read as
2 follows:

3 **Chapter 287. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC**

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5 **ARTICLE IV – SCHOOL BUS MONITORING CAMERAS.**

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7 **287.15 . DEFINITIONS.** IN THIS ARTICLE, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL
8 HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:

9 A. (I) “OWNER” MEANS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR
10 VEHICLE OR A LESSEE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE OF SIX
11 (6) MONTHS OR MORE.

12 (II) “OWNER” DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- 13 1. A MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL OR LEASING COMPANY; OR
14 2. THE HOLDER OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE
15 ISSUED UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 9, PART III OF THE
16 ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, TRANSPORTATION
17 ARTICLE.

18 B. “RECORDED IMAGE” MEANS AN IMAGE RECORDED BY A SCHOOL
19 BUS CAMERA MONITORING SYSTEM:

20 (I) ON:

- 21 1. TWO OR MORE PHOTOGRAPHS;
22 2. TWO OR MORE MICROPHOTOGRAPHS;
23 3. TWO OR MORE ELECTRONIC IMAGES;
24 4. VIDEOTAPE; OR
25 5. ANY OTHER MEDIUM; AND

26 (II) SHOWING:

- 27 1. THE REAR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND
28 2. ON AT LEAST ONE (1) IMAGE OR PORTION OF TAPE, A
29 CLEAR AND LEGIBLE IDENTIFICATION OF THE

1 REGISTRATION PLATE NUMBER FROM THE FRONT OR
2 REAR OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE;

3 C. "SCHOOL BUS MONITORING CAMERA" MEANS A CAMERA PLACED
4 ON A SCHOOL BUS THAT IS DESIGNED TO CAPTURE A RECORDED
5 IMAGE OF A DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE COMMITTING A
6 VIOLATION.

7 D. "VIOLATION" MEANS A VIOLATION OF § 21-706 OF THE MARYLAND
8 CODE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.

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10 **287.16. AUTHORIZATION.**

11 A. THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTY
12 BOARD OF EDUCATION, MAY PLACE SCHOOL BUS MONITORING
13 CAMERAS ON COUNTY SCHOOL BUSES TO CAPTURE A RECORDED
14 IMAGE OF A DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE COMMITTING A
15 VIOLATION OF § 21-706 OF THE MARYLAND CODE TRANSPORTATION
16 ARTICLE.

17 B. THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CITATIONS
18 TO VEHICLE OWNERS BASED UPON THE INFORMATION RECORDED
19 BY THE "RECORDED IMAGE" OF THE SCHOOL BUS MONITORING
20 CAMERA IN ACCORDANCE WITH MD CODE, TRANSPORTATION § 21-
21 706.1.

22 C. SHOULD THE DISTRICT COURT APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE OR
23 LATE FEES, THE COUNTY WILL ASSESS SUCH FEES IN ACCORDANCE
24 WITH THE GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE DISTRICT COURT.

25 D. IF AFTER 35 DAYS THE CITATION HAS NOT BEEN SATISFIED, THE
26 COUNTY MAY REQUEST ADJUDICATION OF THE CASE THROUGH THE
27 DISTRICT COURT.

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29 **287.17 CONFLICT IN LAW.**

30 IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS ARTICLE TO IMPLEMENT AND EXERCISE THE USE OF

1 SCHOOL BUS MONITORING CAMERAS AS AUTHORIZED BY THE ANNOTATED
2 CODE OF MARYLAND, TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE, § 21-706.1. ACCORDINGLY,
3 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE ARE ADDITIONAL TO AND NOT A
4 SUBSTITUTION FOR ANY AND ALL OF THE PROVISIONS OF SUBTITLE 7 OF TITLE
5 21 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE WHICH ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED
6 HEREIN BY REFERENCE. IN THE EVENT ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE
7 PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE AND THE INCORPORATED PROVISIONS OF
8 SUBTITLE 7 OF TITLE 21, OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE THE PROVISIONS OF
9 SUBTITLE 7 OF TITLE 21 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE SHALL.

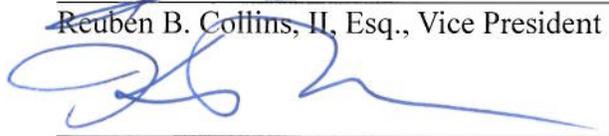
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11 **SECTION 2.** BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect forty-five
12 (45) calendar days after it becomes law.

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14 **ADOPTED** this 17th day of April, 2012.

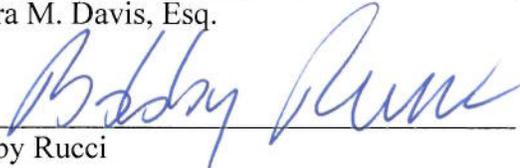
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17 CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

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41 Denise Ferguson, Clerk to the Commissioner

NOTICE
Enactment of Bill 2012-06

SCHOOL BUS MONITORING SYSTEMS

The Charles County Commissioners enacted Bill 2012-06, School Bus Monitoring Systems on April 17, 2012. The Bill authorizes the Office of the Sheriff, in consultation with the county board of education, to place school bus monitoring cameras on county school buses to capture a recorded image of a driver of a motor vehicle committing a violation of § 21-706 of the Maryland Code Transportation Article. Bill 2012-06 becomes effective on June 1, 2012.

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