

## Department of Planning and Budget 2024 Session Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB20

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Jones

3. **Committee:** Transportation

4. **Title:** Photo speed monitoring devices; location.

5. **Summary:** Authorizes the governing body of any county, city, or town to provide by ordinance for the placement and operation of photo speed monitoring devices in any location deemed necessary by the locality for the purposes of recording violations resulting from the operation of a vehicle in excess of the speed limit. The bill provides the same requirements for such devices, information collected from such devices, and any enforcement actions resulting from information collected from such devices as current law applies to the use of such devices in school crossing zones and highway work zones. The bill requires that two signs, rather than one, be placed warning of such device if the device is placed somewhere other than a school crossing zone or highway work zone.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary. See item 8 below.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** Current law only allows for photo speed monitoring in highway work zones and school crossing zones; the bill would expand the authority to any location deemed necessary by the locality for the purposes of recording vehicle speed violations. Currently, entities must secure a land use permit from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for signs and devices within the VDOT right of way. VDOT incurs costs associated with processing permit applications. The number of potential applications and resulting cost to VDOT is indeterminate.

The VDOT permits currently indicate that photo speed monitoring signs are the responsibility of the permittee. Current law requires a conspicuous sign be placed within 1,000 feet of any work zone or school crossing location at which a photo speed monitoring device is used, and the bill requires at least two conspicuous signs within 1,000 feet of any other location at which a photo speed monitoring device is used indicating the use of the device. Each instance of a photo speed monitoring device at a location other than a work zone or school crossing zone would require two signs costing approximately \$1,300 to \$1,600 per sign, depending on the type of road. Ensuring adequate signage on multilane highways would require signs to be installed on both sides of the highway, so the cost for multilane highways would range from \$5,200 to \$6,400. The total cost of any required

signage is indeterminate as the number of signs and locations is not known. These costs would be the responsibility of the locality.

It is anticipated that this will not have a state fiscal impact to the Virginia State Police (VSP).

Civil penalties collected resulting from a summons issued by officers employed by VSP must be paid into the Literary Fund. The number of additional violations or amount of penalties collected is indeterminate. The impact to the Literary Fund is indeterminate.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Virginia State Police, Virginia Department of Transportation, localities.

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.