

Support HB151 Traffic Control Device Enforcment

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House Environment & Transportation Committee Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

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RE: SUPPORT House Bill 151

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am a resident of District 33, president of Bicycle Advocates for Annapolis and Anne Arundel County ("BikeAAA"), Chair of the Anne Arundel County Bicycle Advisory Commission, and former Member of the 2017 Maryland Bicycle Safety Task Force. On behalf of BikeAAA and it's more than 1,000 members, we support HB151. Fatalities and injuries continue to rise from crashes involving vulnerable road users including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorcyclists, people with disabilities and first responders. Reducing speed and enforcing traffic light stops reduce both the likelihood of crash and the severity of injury when crashes happen. Automated enforcement will help deter drivers from unsafe behavior while also assuring impartial enforcement. This enabling legislation is also aligned with Maryland's adoption of Vision Zero.

Please support HB151 to make Maryland's roads safer for all users, especially our most vulnerable.

Sincerely,

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