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Montgomery County - Distracted Driving Monitoring Systems - Authorization

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FOR the purpose of authorizing a law enforcement agency in Montgomery County to place distracted driver monitoring systems on highways located in Montgomery County, if authorized by the governing body of Montgomery County; requiring that a recorded image made by a distracted driver monitoring system include certain images and information; providing that the driver of a motor vehicle recorded committing a certain violation is subject to a certain civil penalty; providing that a civil penalty under this Act may not exceed a certain amount; requiring the District Court to prescribe a certain uniform citation form and civil penalty; requiring a certain law enforcement agency to mail a certain citation to the owner of a certain motor vehicle within a certain period of time; providing for the contents of a certain citation; authorizing a local law enforcement agency to mail a warning instead of a citation; requiring a law enforcement agency to mail a certain notice to a motor vehicle rental company liable under certain provisions of this Act before mailing a certain citation to the motor vehicle rental company; specifying the contents of a certain notice; prohibiting a law enforcement agency from mailing a certain citation to a certain motor vehicle rental company if the motor vehicle rental company complies with certain provisions of this Act; authorizing a person receiving a certain citation to pay the civil penalty or elect to stand trial; providing that a certain certificate is admissible as evidence in a proceeding concerning a certain violation; providing that a certain adjudication of liability is based on a preponderance of evidence; establishing certain defenses and requirements for proving the defenses; requiring the District Court to provide certain evidence to a local law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; authorizing a local law enforcement agency to mail a certain notice within a certain time period after receiving certain evidence; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to refuse to register or reregister a motor vehicle or suspend the registration of a motor vehicle under certain circumstances; establishing that a violation for which a civil penalty may be imposed



1 under this Act is not a moving violation for certain purposes and may not be 2 considered for certain insurance purposes; requiring the Chief Judge of the District 3 Court, in consultation with certain local law enforcement agencies, to adopt certain 4 procedures; providing that a proceeding for a certain violation recorded by a distracted driver monitoring system is under the exclusive original jurisdiction of the 5 6 District Court; providing that a recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a 7 distracted driver monitoring system is admissible in a certain proceeding under 8 certain circumstances; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this 9 Act; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to the use of 10 distracted driver monitoring systems to enforce offenses relating to distracted 11 driving.

- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 14 Section 4–401(13), 7–302(e), and 10–311
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 18 Article Transportation
- 19 Section 21–1124(c), 21–1124.1(b), and 21–1124.2(c) and (d)
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 22 BY adding to
- 23 Article Transportation
- 24 Section 21–1124.4
- 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 26 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 27 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 28 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 29 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 30 4–401.
- Except as provided in § 4–402 of this subtitle, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6 of this article, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in:
- 33 (13) A proceeding for a civil infraction under § 21–202.1, § 21–704.1, §
- 34 21–706.1, § 21–809, § 21–810, **§ 21–1124.4**, or § 24–111.3 of the Transportation Article or
- 35 § 10–112 of the Criminal Law Article;
- 36 7–302.
- 37 (e) (1) **(I)** A citation issued pursuant to § 21–202.1, § 21–706.1, § 21–809, §

- 1 21-810, § 21-1124.4, or § 24-111.3 of the Transportation Article shall provide that the
- 2 person receiving the citation may elect to stand trial by notifying the issuing agency of the
- 3 person's intention to stand trial at least 5 days prior to the date of payment as set forth in
- 4 the citation.

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- 5 (II) On receipt of the notice to stand trial, the agency shall forward to the District Court having venue a copy of the citation and a copy of the notice from the person who received the citation indicating the person's intention to stand trial.
- 8 **(III)** On receipt thereof, the District Court shall schedule the case for 9 trial and notify the defendant of the trial date under procedures adopted by the Chief Judge 10 of the District Court.
- 11 (2) (I) A citation issued as the result of a vehicle height monitoring system, a traffic control signal monitoring system, [or] a speed monitoring system, including a work zone speed control system, OR A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM controlled by a political subdivision or a school bus monitoring camera shall provide that, in an uncontested case, the penalty shall be paid directly to that political subdivision.
- (II) A citation issued as the result of a traffic control signal monitoring system or a work zone speed control system controlled by a State agency, or as a result of a vehicle height monitoring system, a traffic control signal monitoring system, a speed monitoring system, A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM, or a school bus monitoring camera in a case contested in District Court, shall provide that the penalty shall be paid directly to the District Court.
 - (3) Civil penalties resulting from citations issued using a vehicle height monitoring system, traffic control signal monitoring system, speed monitoring system, work zone speed control system, **DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM**, or school bus monitoring camera that are collected by the District Court shall be collected in accordance with subsection (a) of this section and distributed in accordance with § 12–118 of the Transportation Article.
 - (4) (i) From the fines collected by a political subdivision as a result of violations enforced by speed monitoring systems, **DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEMS**, or school bus monitoring cameras, a political subdivision:
- May recover the costs of implementing and administering the speed monitoring systems, **DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEMS**, or school bus monitoring cameras; and
- 35 2. Subject to subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of this paragraph, 36 may spend any remaining balance solely for public safety purposes, including pedestrian 37 safety programs.

- 1 (ii) 1. For any fiscal year, if the balance remaining from the fines collected by a political subdivision as a result of violations enforced by speed monitoring systems, after the costs of implementing and administering the systems are recovered in accordance with subparagraph (i)1 of this paragraph, is greater than 10% of the total revenues of the political subdivision for the fiscal year, the political subdivision shall remit any funds that exceed 10% of the total revenues to the Comptroller.
- 7 2. The Comptroller shall deposit any money remitted under 8 this subparagraph to the General Fund of the State.
- 9 (iii) The fines collected by Prince George's County as a result of 10 violations enforced by speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 shall be remitted 11 to the Comptroller for deposit into the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund under § 12 11–819 of the Criminal Procedure Article.
- 13 (5) From the fines collected by Baltimore City as a result of violations 14 enforced by vehicle height monitoring systems, Baltimore City may:
- 15 (i) Recover the costs of implementing and administering the vehicle 16 height monitoring systems; and
- 17 (ii) Spend the remaining balance solely on roadway improvements.
- 18 10-311.

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- 19 (a) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a traffic control signal 20 monitoring system in accordance with § 21–202.1 of the Transportation Article is 21 admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a 22 violation of § 21–202(h) of the Transportation Article without authentication.
- 23 (b) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a speed monitoring system in accordance with § 21–809 or § 21–810 of the Transportation Article is admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a violation of Title 21, Subtitle 8 of the Transportation Article without authentication.
- (c) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a school bus monitoring camera in accordance with § 21–706.1 of the Transportation Article is admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a violation of § 21–706 of the Transportation Article without authentication.
 - (d) A RECORDED IMAGE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCED BY A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 21–1124.4 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE IS ADMISSIBLE IN A PROCEEDING CONCERNING A CIVIL CITATION ISSUED UNDER THAT SECTION FOR A VIOLATION OF § 21–1124, § 21–1124.1, OR § 21–1124.2 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE WITHOUT AUTHENTICATION.

- (E) A recorded image of a motor vehicle produced by a vehicle height monitoring system in accordance with § 24–111.3 of the Transportation Article is admissible in a proceeding concerning a civil citation issued under that section for a violation of a State or local law restricting the presence of certain vehicles during certain times without authentication.
- [(e)] (F) In any other judicial proceeding, a recorded image produced by a vehicle height monitoring system, traffic control signal monitoring system, speed monitoring system, work zone speed control system, or school bus monitoring camera is admissible as otherwise provided by law.

10 Article – Transportation

- 11 21-1124.
- 12 (c) An individual who is under the age of 18 years may not use a wireless 13 communication device while operating a motor vehicle.
- 14 21–1124.1.
- 15 (b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, an individual may not use a text 16 messaging device to write, send, or read a text message or an electronic message while 17 operating a motor vehicle in the travel portion of the roadway.
- 18 21–1124.2.
- 19 (c) The following individuals may not use a handheld telephone while operating 20 a motor vehicle:
- 21 (1) A driver of a Class H (school) vehicle that is carrying passengers and in 22 motion; and
- 23 (2) A holder of a learner's instructional permit or a provisional driver's 24 license who is 18 years of age or older.
- 25 (d) (1) This subsection does not apply to an individual specified in subsection 26 (c) of this section.
- 27 (2) A driver of a motor vehicle that is in motion may not use the driver's 28 hands to use a handheld telephone other than to initiate or terminate a wireless telephone 29 call or to turn on or turn off the handheld telephone.
- 30 **21–1124.4.**
- 31 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS

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- 2 (2) "DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM" MEANS A DEVICE
- 3 DESIGNED TO CAPTURE A RECORDED IMAGE OF A DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE
- 4 COMMITTING A VIOLATION.
- 5 (3) "LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" MEANS A LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 6 AGENCY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY THAT IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE A CITATION FOR
- 7 A VIOLATION OF THE MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW OR OF LOCAL TRAFFIC LAWS OR
- 8 REGULATIONS.
- 9 (4) (I) "OWNER" MEANS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR
- 10 VEHICLE OR A LESSEE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE OF 6 MONTHS OR
- 11 MORE.
- 12 (II) "OWNER" DOES NOT INCLUDE:
- 13 1. A MOTOR VEHICLE LEASING COMPANY; OR
- 2. A HOLDER OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE
- 15 ISSUED UNDER TITLE 13, SUBTITLE 9, PART III OF THIS ARTICLE.
- 16 (5) "RECORDED IMAGE" MEANS IMAGES RECORDED BY A
- 17 DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM:
- 18 (I) ON:
- 19 Two or more photographs;
- 20 TWO OR MORE MICROPHOTOGRAPHS;
- 21 TWO OR MORE ELECTRONIC IMAGES;
- 22 4. VIDEOTAPE; OR
- 23 5. Any other medium; and
- 24 (II) SHOWING A MOTOR VEHICLE AND, ON AT LEAST ONE IMAGE
- 25 OR PORTION OF TAPE, CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE REGISTRATION PLATE NUMBER
- 26 OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE.
- 27 (6) "VIOLATION" MEANS A VIOLATION OF § 21–1124, § 21–1124.1, OR
- 28 **§ 21–1124.2** OF THIS SUBTITLE.

- 1 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY.
- 2 (C) (1) A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM MAY NOT BE USED
- 3 IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNLESS ITS USE IS AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING
- 4 BODY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY BY LOCAL LAW ENACTED AFTER REASONABLE
- 5 NOTICE AND A PUBLIC HEARING.
- 6 (2) IF AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF MONTGOMERY
- 7 COUNTY, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY PLACE DISTRACTED DRIVER
- 8 MONITORING SYSTEMS ON HIGHWAYS LOCATED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY.
- 9 (D) A RECORDED IMAGE BY A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM
- 10 UNDER THIS SECTION INDICATING THAT THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE HAS
- 11 COMMITTED A VIOLATION SHALL INCLUDE:
- 12 (1) AN IMAGE OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE;
- 13 (2) AN IMAGE OF AT LEAST ONE OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE'S
- 14 REGISTRATION PLATES;
- 15 (3) THE TIME AND DATE OF THE VIOLATION; AND
- 16 (4) TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE LOCATION OF THE VIOLATION.
- 17 (E) (1) UNLESS THE DRIVER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE RECEIVED A
- 18 CITATION FROM A POLICE OFFICER AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER
- 19 OR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (H)(5) OF THIS SECTION, THE DRIVER OF A
- 20 MOTOR VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY IF THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS
- 21 RECORDED BY A DISTRACTED DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM DURING THE
- 22 COMMISSION OF A VIOLATION.
- 23 (2) A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED
- **24 \$500**.
- 25 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL
- 26 PRESCRIBE:
- 27 (I) A UNIFORM CITATION FORM CONSISTENT WITH
- 28 SUBSECTION (F)(1) OF THIS SECTION AND § 7–302 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE; AND
- 29 (II) A CIVIL PENALTY, WHICH SHALL BE INDICATED ON THE
- 30 CITATION, TO BE PAID BY PERSONS WHO CHOOSE TO PREPAY THE CIVIL PENALTY

- 1 WITHOUT APPEARING IN DISTRICT COURT.
- 2 (F) (1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPHS (2) THROUGH (5)
- 3 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL MAIL TO THE OWNER
- 4 LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION A CITATION THAT SHALL INCLUDE:
- 5 (I) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE REGISTERED OWNER OF
- 6 THE VEHICLE;
- 7 (II) THE REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE
- 8 INVOLVED IN THE VIOLATION;
- 9 (III) THE VIOLATION CHARGED;
- 10 (IV) TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE LOCATION OF THE
- 11 VIOLATION;
- 12 (V) THE DATE AND TIME OF THE VIOLATION;
- 13 (VI) A COPY OF THE RECORDED IMAGE;
- 14 (VII) THE AMOUNT OF THE CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED AND THE
- 15 DATE BY WHICH THE CIVIL PENALTY MUST BE PAID;
- 16 (VIII) A SIGNED STATEMENT BY A TECHNICIAN EMPLOYED BY THE
- 17 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT, BASED ON THE INSPECTION OF THE RECORDED
- 18 IMAGE, THE MOTOR VEHICLE WAS BEING OPERATED DURING THE COMMISSION OF A
- 19 VIOLATION;
- 20 (IX) A STATEMENT THAT THE RECORDED IMAGE IS EVIDENCE OF
- 21 A VIOLATION; AND
- 22 (X) Information advising the person alleged to be
- 23 LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION:
- 24 1. OF THE MANNER AND TIME IN WHICH LIABILITY AS
- 25 ALLEGED IN THE CITATION MAY BE CONTESTED IN THE DISTRICT COURT; AND
- 26 That failure to pay the civil penalty or to
- 27 CONTEST LIABILITY IN A TIMELY MANNER IS AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY AND MAY
- 28 RESULT IN REFUSAL OR SUSPENSION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.
- 29 (2) THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY MAIL A WARNING NOTICE

- 1 IN PLACE OF A CITATION TO THE OWNER LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS
- 2 SECTION.
- 3 (3) (I) BEFORE MAILING A CITATION TO A MOTOR VEHICLE
- 4 RENTAL COMPANY LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, A LAW
- 5 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL MAIL A NOTICE TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL
- 6 COMPANY STATING THAT A CITATION WILL BE MAILED TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE
- 7 RENTAL COMPANY UNLESS, WITHIN 45 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE NOTICE, THE
- 8 MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL COMPANY PROVIDES THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
- 9 **WITH:**
- 1. A STATEMENT MADE UNDER OATH THAT STATES THE
- 11 NAME AND LAST KNOWN MAILING ADDRESS OF THE INDIVIDUAL DRIVING OR
- 12 RENTING THE MOTOR VEHICLE WHEN THE VIOLATION OCCURRED;
- 13 2. A. A STATEMENT MADE UNDER OATH THAT
- 14 STATES THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL COMPANY IS UNABLE TO DETERMINE
- 15 WHO WAS DRIVING OR RENTING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME THE VIOLATION
- 16 OCCURRED BECAUSE THE MOTOR VEHICLE WAS STOLEN AT THE TIME OF THE
- 17 VIOLATION; AND
- 18 B. A COPY OF THE POLICE REPORT ASSOCIATED WITH
- 19 THE MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT CLAIMED UNDER ITEM A OF THIS ITEM; OR
- 20 PAYMENT FOR THE PENALTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE
- 21 VIOLATION.
- 22 (II) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY NOT MAIL A CITATION
- 23 TO A MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL COMPANY LIABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS
- 24 SECTION IF THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL COMPANY COMPLIES WITH
- 25 SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 26 (4) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION
- 27 AND SUBSECTION (H)(5) OF THIS SECTION, A CITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION
- 28 SHALL BE MAILED NOT LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.
- 29 (5) A PERSON WHO RECEIVES A CITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF
- 30 THIS SUBSECTION MAY:

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- 31 (I) PAY THE CIVIL PENALTY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 32 INSTRUCTIONS ON THE CITATION, DIRECTLY TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY; OR
 - (II) ELECT TO STAND TRIAL FOR THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.

- 1 (G) (1) A CERTIFICATE ALLEGING THAT A VIOLATION OCCURRED, SWORN
- 2 TO OR AFFIRMED BY A DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY,
- 3 BASED ON THE INSPECTION OF A RECORDED IMAGE PRODUCED BY A DISTRACTED
- 4 DRIVER MONITORING SYSTEM SHALL BE EVIDENCE OF THE FACTS CONTAINED IN
- 5 THE CERTIFICATE AND SHALL BE ADMISSIBLE IN ANY PROCEEDING CONCERNING
- 6 THE ALLEGED VIOLATION.
- 7 (2) ADJUDICATION OF LIABILITY SHALL BE BASED ON A 8 PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE.
- 9 (H) (1) THE DISTRICT COURT MAY CONSIDER IN DEFENSE OF A 10 VIOLATION:
- 11 (I) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THAT
- 12 THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR REGISTRATION PLATES OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE WERE
- 13 STOLEN BEFORE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED AND WERE NOT UNDER THE CONTROL
- 14 OR POSSESSION OF THE OWNER AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION;
- 15 (II) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
- 16 EVIDENCE THAT THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION WAS NOT OPERATING THE
- 17 VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND
- 18 (III) ANY OTHER ISSUES AND EVIDENCE THAT THE DISTRICT
- 19 COURT DEEMS PERTINENT.
- 20 (2) TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE OR THE
- 21 REGISTRATION PLATES WERE STOLEN BEFORE THE VIOLATION OCCURRED AND
- 22 WERE NOT UNDER THE CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF THE OWNER AT THE TIME OF
- 23 THE VIOLATION, THE OWNER MUST SUBMIT PROOF THAT A POLICE REPORT ABOUT
- 24 THE STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE OR REGISTRATION PLATES WAS FILED IN A TIMELY
- 25 MANNER.
- 26 (3) TO SATISFY THE EVIDENTIARY BURDEN UNDER PARAGRAPH
- 27 (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION SHALL PROVIDE
- 28 TO THE DISTRICT COURT EVIDENCE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DISTRICT
- 29 COURT OF WHO WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION,
- 30 INCLUDING, AT A MINIMUM, THE OPERATOR'S NAME AND CURRENT ADDRESS.
- 31 (4) (I) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH APPLY ONLY TO A
- 32 CITATION THAT INVOLVES A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A REGISTERED GROSS
- 33 WEIGHT OF 26,001 POUNDS OR MORE, CLASS F (TRACTOR) VEHICLE, CLASS G
- 34 (TRAILER) VEHICLE OPERATED IN COMBINATION WITH A CLASS F (TRACTOR)

- 1 VEHICLE, OR CLASS P (PASSENGER BUS) VEHICLE.
- 2 (II) TO SATISFY THE EVIDENTIARY BURDEN UNDER
- 3 PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PERSON NAMED IN A CITATION
- 4 DESCRIBED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH MAY PROVIDE TO THE
- 5 DISTRICT COURT A LETTER, SWORN TO OR AFFIRMED BY THE PERSON AND MAILED
- 6 BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, THAT:
- 7 1. STATES THAT THE PERSON NAMED IN THE CITATION
- 8 WAS NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION; AND
- 9 2. PROVIDES THE NAME, ADDRESS, AND DRIVER'S
- 10 LICENSE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE PERSON WHO WAS OPERATING THE
- 11 VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION.
- 12 (5) (I) IF THE DISTRICT COURT FINDS THAT THE PERSON NAMED
- 13 IN THE CITATION WAS NOT OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE
- 14 VIOLATION OR RECEIVES EVIDENCE UNDER PARAGRAPH (4)(II)2 OF THIS
- 15 SUBSECTION IDENTIFYING THE PERSON DRIVING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE
- 16 VIOLATION, THE CLERK OF THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 17 AGENCY ISSUING THE CITATION A COPY OF ANY EVIDENCE SUBSTANTIATING WHO
- 18 WAS OPERATING THE VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION.
- 19 (II) ON THE RECEIPT OF SUBSTANTIATING EVIDENCE FROM
- 20 THE DISTRICT COURT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE LAW
- 21 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY ISSUE A CITATION AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F) OF
- 22 THIS SECTION TO THE PERSON WHO THE EVIDENCE INDICATES WAS OPERATING THE
- 23 VEHICLE AT THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION.
- 24 (III) A CITATION ISSUED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS
- 25 PARAGRAPH SHALL BE MAILED NOT LATER THAN 2 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE
- 26 EVIDENCE FROM THE DISTRICT COURT.
- 27 (I) IF THE CIVIL PENALTY IS NOT PAID AND THE VIOLATION IS NOT
- 28 CONTESTED, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY REFUSE TO REGISTER OR REREGISTER OR
- 29 MAY SUSPEND THE REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE.
- 30 (J) A VIOLATION FOR WHICH A CIVIL PENALTY IS IMPOSED UNDER THIS
- 31 **SECTION:**
- 32 (1) Is not a moving violation for the purpose of assessing
- 33 POINTS UNDER § 16–402 OF THIS ARTICLE AND MAY NOT BE RECORDED BY THE
- 34 ADMINISTRATION ON THE DRIVING RECORD OF THE OWNER OR DRIVER OF THE

1 VEHICLE; AND

- 2 (2) MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED IN THE PROVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE 3 INSURANCE COVERAGE.
- 4 (K) IN CONSULTATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, THE CHIEF
 5 JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL ADOPT PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE
 6 OF CITATIONS, TRIALS FOR VIOLATIONS, AND THE COLLECTION OF CIVIL PENALTIES
 7 IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 9 October 1, 2020.