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INTRODUCED BY ARGALL, SCHWANK, MASTRIANO, BARTOLOTTA, CULVER, VOGEL, COSTA, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, KANE AND KEARNEY, MAY 31, 2023

SENATOR LANGERHOLC, TRANSPORTATION, AS AMENDED, JUNE 27, 2023

AN ACT

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 1 Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing 2 for automated speed enforcement systems in active work zones 3 and for pilot program for automated speed enforcement system on designated highway. 5 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 8 Section 1. Section 3369(e)(1), (h)(1) and (3)(iv) and (vi), (j) (1) and (k) and 3370 heading, (a) and (q) of Title 75 of the 9 10 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: 11 § 3369. Automated speed enforcement systems in active work 12 zones. 13 (e) Penalty.--14 [If a person violates this section as a first 15 (1)16 offense, the person shall receive a written warning.] The 17 penalty for a first violation under this section shall be a 18 fine of \$25. * * * 19

- 1 (h) Authority and duties of department and Pennsylvania 2 Turnpike Commission.--
- 3 (1) The department and Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission 4 shall establish [a five-year] an automated speed enforcement 5 system program [not later than 18 months following the 6 effective date of this section].

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(iv) [Remaining] Beginning with the fourth year of the program, remaining fines shall be allocated by the department or Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission for the last two years to develop a Work Zone and Highway Safety Program. At a minimum, funds from the Work Zone and Highway Safety Program shall be used for improvement projects and countermeasures to improve the safety in work zones and on highways. Funds may also be used to increase awareness of distracted driving and transportation enhancements established under section 3116 (relating to automated red light enforcement systems in first class cities).

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[(vi) If the five-year program is not extended by the General Assembly, any remaining fines remitted to the department or Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall be used as provided under subparagraph (iv).]

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- 27 (j) Contest.--
- 28 (1) An owner may, within 30 days of the mailing of the 29 notice, request a hearing to contest liability by appearing 30 before the system administrator either personally or by an

- 1 authorized agent or by mailing a request in writing on the
- 2 prescribed form. The hearing may be in person or remotely
- 3 through live-stream synchronous video conferencing or similar
- 4 <u>virtual presence technology.</u> Appearances in person <u>and</u>
- 5 <u>remotely</u> shall be only at the locations, except for remote
- 6 <u>hearings</u>, and times set by the system administrator.
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- 8 [(k) Expiration.--This section shall expire five years from
- 9 the effective date of this section.]
- 10 § 3370. [Pilot program] Program for automated speed enforcement
- 11 system on designated highway.
- 12 (a) General rule. -- A [pilot] program is established to
- 13 provide for an automated speed enforcement system on [the] a
- 14 designated highway[.] <u>as follows:</u>
- 15 (1) A city of the first class, upon passage of an
- ordinance, is authorized to enforce section 3362 (relating to
- maximum speed limits) by recording violations using an
- automated speed enforcement system approved by the
- 19 department.
- 20 (2) This section shall only be applicable in a city of
- 21 the first class in areas agreed upon by the system
- 22 administrator and the Secretary of Transportation using the
- 23 automated speed enforcement system on U.S. Route 1 (Roosevelt
- Boulevard) between Ninth Street and the Philadelphia County
- line shared with Bucks County.
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- [(q) Expiration. -- This section shall expire five years from
- 28 its effective date.]
- 29 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days. AS
- 30 FOLLOWS:

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- 1 (1) THE AMENDMENT OF 75 PA.C.S. § 3369(E)(1) SHALL TAKE
- 2 EFFECT IN 120 DAYS.
- 3 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT
- 4 IMMEDIATELY.