

SENATE BILL 2679

By Faulk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-198, relative to traffic violation surveillance cameras.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-198, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

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(1) A local government that employs or uses a traffic violation surveillance camera shall publish every four (4) months the following information on a website operated by such local government:

(A) The number of traffic citations that were issued the prior four (4) months as a result of information obtained by each traffic violation surveillance camera;

(B) The number of traffic violations by category of violation (speeding, failure to stop on red before turning right, failure to obey red light, etc.);

(C) The amount of fine imposed for each traffic violation that was issued the prior four (4) months;

(D) The total monetary amount of fines collected for traffic citations issued pursuant to each surveillance camera and for all surveillance cameras operated by or employed by the local government for the prior four (4) months;

(E) The total number of traffic citations issued pursuant to a surveillance camera that were challenged in court; and

(F) The allotment of revenues that were obtained from the use of traffic violation surveillance cameras in the prior four (4) months.

(2) Any expenses related to the obtaining and posting of information pursuant to this subsection shall be considered an expense of maintaining surveillance cameras and shall not be a separate disbursement by a local government.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.