MARYLAND Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Date: January 16, 2026
To: Governor Wes Moore and Maryland State Agencies
From: Maryland Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Subject: Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Legislation Recommendations

In accordance with the requirement stating that the Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (MBPAC), through the Legislative Subcommittee, advises State government agencies on issues directly related to bicycling and pedestrian safety and activity, the MBPAC has reviewed legislation offered for the 2026 session in Annapolis and recommends SUPPORT for the following bills:

a. SB0059 Transportation and Climate Alignment Act of 2026
b. SB0062 (HB0230) Transportation - Consolidated Transportation Program - Prioritization (Transportation Investment Priorities Act of 2026)
c. HB0107 Motor Vehicles - Intelligent Speed Assistance Pilot Program – Establishment
d. SB0038 (HB0286) Vehicle Laws - Ignition Interlock System Program – Required Participation
e. HB0256 Motor Vehicles – Speed Monitoring Systems - Safety Corridors (Vulnerable Road User Protection Act of 2026)
f. SB0173 (HB0249) Automated Enforcement – Reciprocal Agreements
g. SB0155 (HB0177) Vehicle Laws – Bicycles, Play Vehicles, and Unicycles – Crosswalks
h. SB0158 Counties - Construction of Sidewalks and Crosswalks - Safe Alternative Routes to Public Schools
i. SB0045 (HB0055) Vehicle Laws - Speed Monitoring Systems - Residential Districts

Anticipated bills:

- Contributory Negligence - Carve out for Vulnerable Road Users
- Vehicle Laws - Stopping, Standing, or Parking in a Bike Lane or Bicycle Path – Prohibition

We believe these upcoming filed, and anticipated bills advance safety for people of all abilities traveling on foot, bike, or other mobility devices in keeping with Maryland's commitment to Zero Road Deaths, Complete Streets, a cleaner environment, improved health, and equitable transportation choices.

The Committee would be pleased to discuss with the Administration the advice offered for additional insights or understanding of these recommendations. We look forward to continuing to work cooperatively with the Administration in all matters related to pedestrians and cyclists and appreciate the Administration's support.

Sincerely,

The Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
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