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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 20
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4 5	A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-208 and 46.2-882.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to photo
5	speed monitoring devices; location.
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_	Patrons—Jones, Cohen, Henson and Martinez
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8 9	Referred to Committee on Transportation
9 10	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
11	1. That §§ 46.2-208 and 46.2-882.1 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as follows:
12	§ 46.2-208. Records of Department; when open for inspection; release of privileged information.
13	A. The following information shall be considered privileged and unless otherwise provided for in this
14	title shall not be released except as provided in subsection B:
15	1. Personal information as defined in § 2.2-3801;
16	2. Driver information, defined as all data that relates to driver's license status and driver activity;
17	3. Special identification card information, defined as all data that relates to identification card status;
18	and
19	4. Vehicle information, including all descriptive vehicle data and title, registration, and vehicle
20 21	activity data, but excluding crash data. B. The Commissioner shall release such information only under the following conditions:
²¹ 22	1. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, medical information included in personal
$\frac{12}{23}$	information shall be released only to a physician, a physician assistant, or an advanced practice
24	registered nurse in accordance with a proceeding under §§ 46.2-321 and 46.2-322.
25	2, 3. [Repealed.]
26	4. Upon the request of (i) the subject of the information, (ii) the parent of a minor who is the subject
27	of the information, (iii) the guardian of the subject of the information, (iv) the authorized agent or
28	representative of the subject of the information, or (v) the owner of the vehicle that is the subject of the
29	information, the Commissioner shall provide him with the requested information and a complete
30	explanation of it. Requests for such information need not be made in writing or in person and may be
31 32	made orally or by telephone, provided that the Department is satisfied that there is adequate verification of the requester's identity. When so requested in writing by (a) the subject of the information, (b) the
33	parent of a minor who is the subject of the information, (c) the guardian of the subject of the
34	information, (d) the authorized agent or representative of the subject of the information, or (e) the owner
35	of the vehicle that is the subject of the information, the Commissioner shall verify and, if necessary,
36	correct the personal information provided and furnish driver, special identification card, or vehicle
37	information. If the requester is requesting such information in the scope of his official business as
38	counsel from a public defender's office or as counsel appointed by a court, such records shall be
39	provided free of charge.
40	5. Upon the written request of any insurance carrier or surety, or authorized agent of either, the
41 42	Commissioner shall furnish to such requester information in the record of any person subject to the
4 <u>4</u>	provisions of this title. The transcript shall include any record of any conviction of a violation of any provision of any statute or ordinance relating to the operation or ownership of a motor vehicle or of any
4 4	injury or damage in which he was involved and a report filed pursuant to § 46.2-373. No such report of
45	any conviction or crash shall be made after 60 months from the date of the conviction or crash unless
46	the Commissioner or court used the conviction or crash as a reason for the suspension or revocation of a
47	driver's license or driving privilege, in which case the revocation or suspension and any conviction or
48	crash pertaining thereto shall not be reported after 60 months from the date that the driver's license or
49	driving privilege has been reinstated. The response of the Commissioner under this subdivision shall not
50	be admissible in evidence in any court proceedings.
51 52	6. Upon the written request of any business organization or its authorized agent, in the conduct of its
52 53	business, the Commissioner shall compare personal information supplied by the requester with that contained in the Department's records and when the information supplied by the requester is different
55 54	contained in the Department's records and, when the information supplied by the requester is different from that contained in the Department's records, provide the requester with correct information as
55	contained in the Department's records. Personal information provided under this subdivision shall be
56	used solely for the purpose of pursuing remedies that require locating an individual.
57	7. Upon the written request of any business organization or its authorized agent, the Commissioner
58	shall provide vehicle information to the requester. Disclosures made under this subdivision shall not

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include any personal information, driver information, or special identification card information and shallnot be subject to the limitations contained in subdivision 6.

8. Upon the written request of any motor vehicle rental or leasing company or its authorized agent, 61 the Commissioner shall (i) compare personal information supplied by the requester with that contained 62 63 in the Department's records and, when the information supplied by the requester is different from that 64 contained in the Department's records, provide the requester with correct information as contained in the 65 Department's records and (ii) provide the requester with driver information of any person subject to the provisions of this title. Such information shall include any record of any conviction of a violation of any 66 provision of any statute or ordinance relating to the operation or ownership of a motor vehicle or of any 67 68 injury or damage in which the subject of the information was involved and a report of which was filed pursuant to § 46.2-373. No such information shall include any record of any conviction or crash more 69 than 60 months after the date of such conviction or crash unless the Commissioner or court used the 70 conviction or crash as a reason for the suspension or revocation of a driver's license or driving privilege, 71 72 in which case the revocation or suspension and any conviction or crash pertaining thereto shall cease to 73 be included in such information after 60 months from the date on which the driver's license or driving 74 privilege was reinstated. The response of the Commissioner under this subdivision shall not be 75 admissible in evidence in any court proceedings.

9. Upon the request of any federal, state, or local governmental entity, local government group 76 77 self-insurance pool, law-enforcement officer, attorney for the Commonwealth, or court, or the authorized 78 agent of any of the foregoing, the Commissioner shall compare personal information supplied by the 79 requester with that contained in the Department's records and, when the information supplied by the 80 requester is different from that contained in the Department's records, provide the requester with correct information as contained in the Department's records. The Commissioner shall also provide driver, 81 special identification card, and vehicle information as requested pursuant to this subdivision. The 82 83 Commissioner may release other appropriate information to the governmental entity upon request. Upon request in accordance with this subdivision, the Commissioner shall furnish a certificate, under seal of 84 85 the Department, setting forth a distinguishing number or license plate of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, together with the name and address of its owner. The certificate shall be prima facie 86 87 evidence in any court in the Commonwealth of the ownership of the vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer to 88 which the distinguishing number or license plate has been assigned by the Department. However, the 89 Commissioner shall not release any photographs pursuant to this subdivision unless the requester 90 provides the depicted individual's name and other sufficient identifying information contained on such 91 individual's record. The information in this subdivision shall be provided free of charge.

92 The Department shall release to a requester information that is required for a requester to carry out 93 the requester's official functions in accordance with this subdivision. If the requester has entered into an 94 agreement with the Department, such agreement shall be in a manner prescribed by the Department, and 95 such agreement shall contain the legal authority that authorizes the performance of the requester's 96 official functions and a description of how such information will be used to carry out such official 97 functions. If the Commissioner determines that sufficient authority has not been provided by the 98 requester to show that the purpose for which the information shall be used is one of the requester's 99 official functions, the Commissioner shall refuse to enter into any agreement. If the requester submits a 100 request for information in accordance with this subdivision without an existing agreement to receive the 101 information, the request shall be in a manner prescribed by the Department, and such request shall contain the legal authority that authorizes the performance of the requester's official functions and a 102 103 description of how such information will be used to carry out such official functions. If the Commissioner determines that sufficient authority has not been provided by the requester to show that 104 105 the purpose for which such information shall be used is one of the requester's official functions, the Commissioner shall deny such request. 106

107 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision, the Department shall not disseminate to any 108 federal, state, or local government entity, law-enforcement officer, or law-enforcement agency any 109 privileged information for any purposes related to civil immigration enforcement unless (i) the subject of 110 the information provides consent or (ii) the requesting agency presents a lawful judicial order, judicial subpoena, or judicial warrant. When responding to a lawful judicial order, judicial subpoena, or judicial 111 112 warrant, the Department shall disclose only those records or information specifically requested. Within 113 three business days of receiving a request for information for the purpose of civil immigration enforcement, the Commissioner shall send a notification to the individual about whom such information 114 115 was requested that such a request was made and the identity of the entity that made such request.

116 The Department shall not enter into any agreement pursuant to subsection E with a requester 117 pursuant to this subdivision unless the requester certifies that the information obtained will not be used 118 for civil immigration purposes or knowingly disseminated to any third party for any purpose related to 119 civil immigration enforcement.

120 10. Upon the request of the driver licensing authority in any foreign country, the Commissioner shall

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121 provide whatever driver and vehicle information the requesting authority shall require to carry out its 122 official functions. The information shall be provided free of charge.

123 11. a. For the purpose of obtaining information regarding noncommercial driver's license holders, 124 upon the written request of any employer, prospective employer, or authorized agent of either, and with 125 the written consent of the individual concerned, the Commissioner shall (i) compare personal 126 information supplied by the requester with that contained in the Department's records and, when the 127 information supplied by the requester is different from that contained in the Department's records, 128 provide the requester with correct information as contained in the Department's records and (ii) provide 129 the requester with driver information in the form of a transcript of an individual's record, including all convictions, all crashes, any type of driver's license that the individual currently possesses, and all 130 131 driver's license suspensions, revocations, cancellations, or forfeiture, provided that such individual's 132 position or the position that the individual is being considered for involves the operation of a motor 133 vehicle.

134 b. For the purpose of obtaining information regarding commercial driver's license holders, upon the 135 written request of any employer, prospective employer, or authorized agent of either, the Commissioner 136 shall (i) compare personal information supplied by the requester with that contained in the Department's 137 records and, when the information supplied by the requester is different from that contained in the 138 Department's records, provide the requester with correct information as contained in the Department's 139 records and (ii) provide the requester with driver information in the form of a transcript of such 140 individual's record, including all convictions, all crashes, any type of driver's license that the individual 141 currently possesses, and all driver's license suspensions, revocations, cancellations, forfeitures, or 142 disqualifications, provided that such individual's position or the position that the individual is being 143 considered for involves the operation of a commercial motor vehicle.

144 12. Upon the written request of any member of a volunteer fire company or volunteer emergency 145 medical services agency and with written consent of the individual concerned, or upon the request of an 146 applicant for membership in a volunteer fire company or to serve as volunteer emergency medical 147 services personnel, the Commissioner shall (i) compare personal information supplied by the requester 148 with that contained in the Department's records and, when the information supplied by the requester is 149 different from that contained in the Department's records, provide the requester with correct information 150 as contained in the Department's records and (ii) provide driver information in the form of a transcript 151 of the individual's record, including all convictions, all crashes, any type of driver's license that the 152 individual currently possesses, and all license suspensions, revocations, cancellations, or forfeitures. Such 153 transcript shall be provided free of charge if the request is accompanied by appropriate written evidence 154 that the person is a member of or applicant for membership in a volunteer fire company or a volunteer 155 emergency medical services agency and the transcript is needed by the requester to establish the 156 qualifications of the member, volunteer, or applicant to operate equipment owned by the volunteer fire 157 company or volunteer emergency medical services agency.

158 13. Upon the written request of a Virginia affiliate of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, a 159 Virginia affiliate of Compeer, or the Virginia Council of the Girl Scouts of the USA, and with the 160 consent of the individual who is the subject of the information and has applied to be a volunteer with 161 the requester, or on the written request of a Virginia chapter of the American Red Cross, a Virginia chapter of the Civil Air Patrol, or Faith in Action, and with the consent of the individual who is the 162 subject of the information and applied to be a volunteer vehicle operator with the requester, the 163 164 Commissioner shall (i) compare personal information supplied by the requester with that contained in 165 the Department's records and, when the information supplied by the requester is different from that contained in the Department's records, provide the requester with correct information as contained in the 166 167 Department's records and (ii) provide driver information in the form of a transcript of the applicant's record, including all convictions, all crashes, any type of driver's license that the individual currently 168 169 possesses, and all license suspensions, revocations, cancellations, or forfeitures. Such transcript shall be 170 provided at a fee that is one-half the normal charge if the request is accompanied by appropriate written 171 evidence that the person has applied to be a volunteer or volunteer vehicle operator with the requester as 172 provided in this subdivision.

173 14. On the written request of any person who has applied to be a volunteer with a court-appointed 174 special advocate program pursuant to § 9.1-153, the Commissioner shall provide a transcript of the 175 applicant's record, including all convictions, all crashes, any type of driver's license that the individual 176 currently possesses, and all license suspensions, revocations, cancellations, or forfeitures. Such transcript 177 shall be provided free of charge if the request is accompanied by appropriate written evidence that the 178 person has applied to be a volunteer with a court-appointed special advocate program pursuant to 179 § 9.1-153. 180

15, 16. [Repealed.]

181 17. Upon the request of an attorney representing a person involved in a motor vehicle crash, the 182 Commissioner shall provide the vehicle information for any vehicle involved in the crash and the name 183 and address of the owner of any such vehicle.

184 18. Upon the request, in the course of business, of any authorized agent of an insurance company or 185 of any not-for-profit entity organized to prevent and detect insurance fraud, or perform rating and underwriting activities, the Commissioner shall provide (i) all vehicle information, the owner's name and 186 187 address, descriptive data and title, registration, and vehicle activity data, as requested, or (ii) the driver 188 name, license number and classification, date of birth, and address information for each driver under the 189 age of 22 licensed in the Commonwealth, provided that such request includes the driver's license number 190 or address information of such driver. Use of such information shall be limited to use in connection with 191 insurance claims investigation activities, antifraud activities, rating, or underwriting.

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19. [Repealed.] 193 20. Upon the written request of the compliance agent of a private security services business, as 194 defined in § 9.1-138, which is licensed by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services, the 195 Commissioner shall provide the name and address of the owner of the vehicle under procedures 196 determined by the Commissioner.

197 21. (For contingent expiration date, see Acts 2023, c. 738, cl. 2) Upon the request of the operator of 198 a toll facility, a traffic light signal violation monitoring system acting on behalf of a government entity, 199 a traffic control device violation monitoring system acting on behalf of a government entity, or the 200 Dulles Access Highway, or an authorized agent or employee of a toll facility operator, a traffic light 201 signal violation monitoring system operator acting on behalf of a government entity, a traffic control 202 device violation monitoring system operator acting on behalf of a government entity, or the Dulles Access Highway, for the purpose of obtaining vehicle owner data under subsection H of § 15.2-968.1, 203 subsection A of § 33.2-504, subsection M of § 46.2-819.1, subsection P of § 46.2-819.3:1, or subsection 204 205 N of § 46.2-819.5. Information released pursuant to this subdivision shall be limited to (i) the name, 206 physical address, and, if available, email or other electronic address of the owner of the vehicle having 207 failed to pay a toll, comply with a traffic light signal, or comply with a traffic control device or having 208 improperly used the Dulles Access Highway and (ii) the vehicle information, including all descriptive 209 vehicle data and title and registration data of the same vehicle.

210 21. (For contingent effective date, see Acts 2023, c. 738, cl. 2) Upon the request of the operator of a 211 toll facility, a traffic light photo monitoring system acting on behalf of a government entity, or the 212 Dulles Access Highway, or an authorized agent or employee of a toll facility operator or traffic light photo monitoring system operator acting on behalf of a government entity or the Dulles Access 213 214 Highway, for the purpose of obtaining vehicle owner data under subsection H of § 15.2-968.1, 215 subsection A of § 33.2-504, subsection M of § 46.2-819.1, subsection P of § 46.2-819.3:1, or subsection 216 N of § 46.2-819.5. Information released pursuant to this subdivision shall be limited to the name, 217 physical address, and, if available, email or other electronic address of the owner of the vehicle having 218 failed to pay a toll or having failed to comply with a traffic light signal or having improperly used the 219 Dulles Access Highway and the vehicle information, including all descriptive vehicle data and title 220 registration data of the same vehicle. 221

22-26. [Repealed.]

222 27. Upon the written request of the executor or administrator of a deceased person's estate, the 223 Department shall, if the deceased person had been issued a driver's license or special identification card 224 by the Department, supply the requester with a hard copy image of any photograph of the deceased 225 person kept in the Department's records. 226

28. [Repealed.]

227 29. a. Upon written agreement, the Commissioner may digitally verify the authenticity and validity of 228 a driver's license, learner's permit, or special identification card to the American Association of Motor 229 Vehicle Administrators, a motor vehicle dealer as defined in § 46.2-1500, or another organization 230 approved by the Commissioner.

231 b. Upon written agreement, the Commissioner may release minimum information as needed in the 232 Department's record through any American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators service 233 program created for the purpose of the exchange of information to any business, government agency, or authorized agent who would otherwise be authorized to receive the information requested pursuant to 234 235 this section.

236 30. Upon the request of the operator of a video-monitoring system as defined in § 46.2-844 acting on 237 behalf of a government entity, the Commissioner shall provide vehicle owner data pursuant to subsection 238 B of § 46.2-844. Information released pursuant to this subdivision shall be limited to the name and 239 address of the owner of the vehicle having passed a stopped school bus and the vehicle information, 240 including all descriptive vehicle data and title and registration data for such vehicle.

241 31. Upon the request of the operator of a photo speed monitoring device as defined in § 46.2-882.1 242 acting on behalf of a government entity, the Commissioner shall provide vehicle owner data pursuant to 243 subsection B of § 46.2-882.1. Information released pursuant to this subdivision shall be limited to the aname and address of the owner of the vehicle having committed a *vehicle speed* violationof § 46.2-873
or 46.2-878.1, as defined in § 46.2-882.1, and the vehicle information, including all descriptive vehicle data and title and registration data, for such vehicle.

247 32. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section other than subdivision 33, the Department shall not 248 release, except upon request by the subject of the information, the guardian of the subject of the 249 information, the parent of a minor who is the subject of the information, or the authorized agent of the 250 subject of the information, or pursuant to a court order, (i) proof documents submitted for the purpose 251 of obtaining a driving credential or a special identification card, (ii) the information in the Department's 252 records indicating the type of proof documentation that was provided, or (iii) applications relating to the 253 issuance of a driving credential or a special identification card. As used in this subdivision, "proof 254 document" means any document not originally created by the Department that is submitted to the Department for the issuance of any driving credential or special identification card. "Proof document" 255 256 does not include any information contained on a driving credential or special identification card.

257 33. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Department may release the information in the
 258 Department's records that it deems reasonable and necessary for the purpose of federal compliance
 259 audits.

260 C. Information disclosed or furnished shall be assessed a fee as specified in § 46.2-214, unless as261 otherwise provided in this section.

262 D. Upon the receipt of a completed application and payment of applicable processing fees, the
 263 Commissioner may enter into an agreement with any governmental authority or business to exchange
 264 information specified in this section by electronic or other means.

265 E. The Department shall not release any privileged information pursuant to this title unless the 266 Department has entered into a written agreement authorizing such release. The Department shall require 267 the requesting entity to specify the purpose authorized pursuant to this title that forms the basis for the request and provide the permissible purpose as defined under 18 U.S.C. § 2721(b). Privileged 268 information requested by an entity that has been altered or aggregated may be used only for the original 269 270 purposes specified in the written agreement consistent with this title. The requesting entity shall 271 disseminate privileged information only to third parties subject to the original purpose specified in the 272 written agreement consistent with this title. Any agreement that does not allow third-party distribution 273 shall include a statement that such distribution is prohibited. Such agreement may limit the scope of any 274 authorized distribution consistent with this title. Privileged information distributed to any third party 275 shall only be further distributed by such third party subject to the original purpose specified and 276 consistent with this title, or unless such third party is the subject of the information, the parent of a 277 minor who is the subject of the information, the guardian of the subject of the information, the 278 authorized agent or representative of the subject of the information, or the owner of the vehicle that is 279 the subject of the information.

280 Any agreement entered into pursuant to this subsection between the Department and the Department 281 of State Police shall specify (i) that privileged information shall be distributed only to authorized 282 personnel of an entity meeting the definition of a criminal justice agency as defined in § 9.1-101 and 283 other comparable local, state, and federal criminal justice agencies and entities issued a Virginia S-Originating Agency Identification (S-ORI) status; (ii) that privileged information shall be accessed, 284 285 used, and disseminated only for the administration of criminal justice as defined in § 9.1-101; and (iii) 286 that no local, state, or federal government entity, through the Virginia Criminal Information Network 287 (VCIN) or any other method of dissemination controlled by the Department of State Police, has access 288 to information stored by the Department in violation of the protections contained in this section. The 289 Department of State Police shall notify the Department prior to when a new entity is to be granted 290 S-ORI status and provide a copy of the S-ORI application to the Department. The Department of State 291 Police shall not allow any entity to access Department data through VCIN if the Department objects in 292 writing to the entity obtaining such data.

293 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to (a) requests for information made pursuant to 294 subdivision B 4; (b) a request made by an entity authorized to receive privileged information pursuant to 295 subsection B, provided that such request is made on a form provided by the Department, other than a 296 written agreement, that requires the requester to certify that such entity is entitled to receive such 297 information pursuant to this title, state the purpose authorized pursuant to subsection B that forms the 298 basis for the request, explain why the information requested is necessary to accomplish the stated 299 purpose, and certify that the information will be used only for the stated purpose and the information 300 received shall not be disseminated to third parties unless there is authorization to do so; or (c) the 301 release of information to a law-enforcement officer or agency during an emergency situation, provided 302 that (1) the requesting entity is authorized to receive such information pursuant to subdivision B 9, (2) 303 the timely release of such information is in the interest of public safety, and (3) the requesting entity completes the form required pursuant to clause (b) within 48 hours of the release of such information. 304

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F. Any person that receives any privileged information that such person knows or has reason to
 know was received in violation of this title shall not disseminate any such information and shall notify
 the Department of the receipt of such privileged information.

G. The Department shall conduct audits annually based on a risk assessment to ensure that privileged
information released by the Department pursuant to this title is being used as authorized by law and
pursuant to the agreements entered into by the Department. If the Department finds that privileged
information has been used in a manner contrary to law or the relevant agreement, the Department may
revoke access.

313 H. Any request for privileged information by an authorized agent of a governmental entity shall be governed by the provisions of subdivision B 9.

315 § 46.2-882.1. Use of photo speed monitoring devices; civil penalty.

316 A. For the purposes of this section: **317** "Highway work zone" has the same

"Highway work zone" has the same meaning ascribed to it in § 46.2-878.1.

318 "Photo speed monitoring device" means equipment that uses radar or LIDAR-based speed detection 319 and produces one or more photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, or other recorded images of 320 vehicles.

"School crossing zone" has the same meaning ascribed to it in § 46.2-873.

322 "Vehicle speed violation" means a violation of this title resulting from the operation of a vehicle in 323 excess of the speed limit, including a violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1.

324 B. The governing body of any county, city, or town may provide by ordinance for the placement and operation of a photo speed monitoring device in any location deemed necessary by the locality for the 325 326 purposes of recording vehicle speed violations. A state or local law-enforcement agency may place and 327 operate a photo speed monitoring device in school crossing zones for the purposes of recording violations of § 46.2-873 and in highway work zones for the purposes of recording violations of 328 § 46.2-878.1. No law-enforcement agency shall place and operate a photo speed monitoring device in a 329 330 location other than a school crossing zone or a highway work zone without the approval by ordinance 331 of the local governing body.

332 4. C. The operator of a vehicle shall be liable for a monetary civil penalty imposed pursuant to this 333 section if such vehicle is found, as evidenced by information obtained from a photo speed monitoring device, to be traveling at speeds of at least 10 miles per hour above the posted school crossing zone or 334 335 highway work zone speed limit within such school crossing zone or highway work zone in the zone 336 monitored by the photo speed monitoring device. Such civil penalty shall not exceed \$100, and any 337 prosecution shall be instituted and conducted in the same manner as prosecution for traffic infractions. 338 Civil penalties collected under this section resulting from a summons issued by a local law-enforcement 339 officer shall be paid to the locality in which such violation occurred. Civil penalties collected under this 340 section resulting from a summons issued by a law-enforcement officer employed by the Department of 341 State Police shall be paid into the Literary Fund.

342 2. D. If a photo speed monitoring device is used, proof of a violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 343 vehicle speed violation shall be evidenced by information obtained from such device. A certificate, or a 344 facsimile thereof, sworn to or affirmed by a law-enforcement officer, based upon inspection of 345 photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, or other recorded images produced by a photo speed monitoring device, shall be prima facie evidence of the facts contained therein. Any photographs, 346 347 microphotographs, videotapes, or other recorded images evidencing such a violation shall be available 348 for inspection in any proceeding to adjudicate the liability for such vehicle speed violation of § 46.2-873 349 or 46.2-878.1.

350 3. E. In the prosecution for a violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 vehicle speed violation in which a summons was issued by mail, prima facie evidence that the vehicle described in the summons issued 351 352 pursuant to this section was operated in violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 in a manner constituting a 353 vehicle speed violation, together with proof that the defendant was at the time of such violation the 354 owner, lessee, or renter of the vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a rebuttable presumption that such 355 owner, lessee, or renter of the vehicle was the person who committed the violation. Such presumption 356 shall be rebutted if the owner, lessee, or renter of the vehicle (i) files an affidavit by regular mail with 357 the clerk of the general district court that he was not the operator of the vehicle at the time of the alleged violation and provides the name and address of the person who was operating the vehicle at the 358 359 time of the alleged violation or (ii) testifies in open court under oath that he was not the operator of the vehicle at the time of the alleged violation and provides the name and address of the person who was 360 operating the vehicle at the time of the alleged violation. Such presumption shall also be rebutted if a 361 certified copy of a police report, showing that the vehicle had been reported to the police as stolen prior 362 to the time of the alleged vehicle speed violation of § 46.2.873 or 46.2.878.1, is presented, prior to the 363 return date established on the summons issued pursuant to this section, to the court adjudicating the 364 365 alleged violation.

366 4. *F*. Imposition of a penalty pursuant to this section by mailing a summons shall not be deemed a

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367 conviction as an operator and shall not be made part of the operating record of the person upon whom 368 such liability is imposed, nor shall it be used for insurance purposes in the provision of motor vehicle 369 insurance coverage. However, if a law-enforcement officer uses a photo speed monitoring device to 370 record a *vehicle speed* violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 and personally issues a summons at the 371 time of the violation, the conviction that results shall be made a part of such driver's driving record and 372 used for insurance purposes in the provision of motor vehicle insurance coverage.

373 5. G. A summons for a vehicle speed violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 issued by mail pursuant 374 to this section may be executed pursuant to § 19.2-76.2. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 19.2-76, a 375 summons issued by mail pursuant to this section may be executed by mailing by first-class mail a copy 376 thereof to the owner, lessee, or renter of the vehicle. In the case of a vehicle owner, the copy shall be 377 mailed to the address contained in the records of or accessible to the Department. In the case of a 378 vehicle lessee or renter, the copy shall be mailed to the address contained in the records of the lessor or 379 renter. Every such mailing shall include, in addition to the summons, a notice of (i) the summoned 380 person's ability to rebut the presumption that he was the operator of the vehicle at the time of the 381 alleged violation through the filing of an affidavit as provided in subdivision 3 subsection E and (ii) 382 instructions for filing such affidavit, including the address to which the affidavit is to be sent. If the 383 summoned person fails to appear on the date of return set out in the summons mailed pursuant to this 384 section, the summons shall be executed in the manner set out in § 19.2-76.3. No proceedings for 385 contempt or arrest of a person summoned by mailing shall be instituted for failure to appear on the 386 return date of the summons. If the summons is issued to an owner, lessee, or renter of a vehicle with a 387 registration outside the Commonwealth and such person fails to appear on the date of return set out in 388 the summons mailed pursuant to this section, the summons will be eligible for all legal collections 389 activities. Any summons executed for a vehicle speed violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2 878.1 issued 390 pursuant to this section shall provide to the person summoned at least 30 days from the mailing of the 391 summons to inspect information collected by a photo speed monitoring device in connection with the 392 violation. If the *locality* or law-enforcement agency that was operating the photo speed monitoring 393 device does not execute a summons for a vehicle speed violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1 issued 394 pursuant to this section within 30 days from the date of the violation, all information collected 395 pertaining to that suspected violation shall be purged within 60 days from the date of the violation.

396 6. H. A private vendor may enter into an agreement with a law-enforcement agency to be 397 compensated for providing a photo speed monitoring device and all related support services, including 398 consulting, operations, and administration. However, only a law-enforcement officer may swear to or 399 affirm the certificate required by this subsection section. Any such agreement for compensation shall be 400 based on the value of the goods and services provided, not on the number of violations paid or 401 monetary penalties imposed. Any private vendor contracting with a law-enforcement agency pursuant to 402 this section may enter into an agreement with the Department, in accordance with the provisions of 403 subdivision B 31 of § 46.2-208, to obtain vehicle owner information regarding the registered owners of vehicles that committed a vehicle speed violation of § 46.2-873 or 46.2-878.1. Any such information 404 405 provided to such private vendor shall be protected in a database.

406 7- I. Information collected by a photo speed monitoring device operated pursuant to this section shall 407 be limited exclusively to that information that is necessary for the enforcement of school crossing zone 408 and highway work zone speeding vehicle speed violations. Information provided to the operator of a 409 photo speed monitoring device shall be protected in a database and used only for enforcement of vehicle 410 speed violations and enforcement against individuals who violate the provisions of this section or 411 $\frac{46.2-873}{6}$ or $\frac{46.2-878.1}{6}$. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all photographs, microphotographs, videotapes, or other recorded images collected by a photo speed monitoring device 412 413 shall be used exclusively for enforcing school crossing zone and highway work zone speed limits vehicle speed violations and shall not be (i) open to the public; (ii) sold or used for sales, solicitation, or 414 415 marketing purposes; (iii) disclosed to any other entity except as may be necessary for the enforcement of 416 school crossing zone and highway work zone speed limits a vehicle speed violation or to a vehicle 417 owner or operator as part of a challenge to the violation; or (iv) used in a court in a pending action or 418 proceeding unless the action or proceeding relates to a vehicle speed violation or a violation of this 419 section or <u>§ 46.2-873</u> or 46.2-878.1, or such information is requested upon order from a court of 420 competent jurisdiction. Information collected under this section pertaining to a specific violation shall be 421 purged and not retained later than 60 days after the collection of any civil penalties. Any *locality or* 422 law-enforcement agency using photo speed monitoring devices shall annually certify compliance with 423 this section and make all records pertaining to such system available for inspection and audit by the 424 Commissioner of Highways or the Commissioner of the Department of Motor Vehicles or his designee. 425 Any person who discloses personal information in violation of the provisions of this subdivision 426 subsection shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 per disclosure.

427 8. J. A conspicuous sign shall be placed within 1,000 feet of any school crossing zone or highway

428 work zone at which a photo speed monitoring device is used, indicating the use of the device. At least 429 two conspicuous signs shall be placed within 1,000 feet of any location other than a school crossing

430 zone or highway work zone at which a photo speed monitoring device is used, indicating the use of the

431 device. There shall be is a rebuttable presumption that such sign was in place at the time of the

432 commission of the *vehicle* speed limit violation.

433 9. K. Any *locality or* state or local law-enforcement agency that places and operates a photo speed
434 monitoring device pursuant to the provisions of this section shall report to the Department of State
435 Police, in a format to be determined by the Department of State Police, by January 15 of each year on

the number of traffic violations prosecuted, the number of successful prosecutions, and the total amountof monetary civil penalties collected. The Department of State Police shall aggregate such information

438 and report it to the General Assembly by February 15 of each year.