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BILL SUMMARY

- Permits the use of a traffic law photo-monitoring device to detect traffic law violations only if a law enforcement officer is present at the location of the device and issues tickets at the time and location of the violations.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Use of traffic law photo-monitoring devices by local authorities and by the State Highway Patrol

Under the bill, a local authority that authorizes its law enforcement agency to utilize a traffic law photo-monitoring device within its boundaries to determine compliance with, or to detect a violation of, a municipal ordinance or any provision of state law that governs or regulates motor vehicle operation must provide that the device be so utilized and operated for such purposes only when a law enforcement officer is present at the location of the device and issues tickets, citations, or summonses at the time and location of the traffic law violations (R.C. 4511.092(B)). The bill similarly prohibits the State Highway Patrol from utilizing a traffic law photo-monitoring device to determine compliance with, or to detect a violation of, any provision of state law that governs or regulates motor vehicle operation unless a State Highway Patrol trooper is present at the location of the device and issues tickets, citations, or summonses at the time and location of the traffic law violations (R.C. 4511.092(C)).

Definitions

The bill defines a "traffic law photo-monitoring device" as an electronic system consisting of a photographic, video, or electronic camera and a means of sensing the presence of a motor vehicle that automatically produces photographs,

videotape, or digital images of the vehicle, its operator, or its license plate (R.C. 4511.092(A)(4)).

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