
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY READSHAW, MUNDY, LUCAS, SWANGER, COHEN, PETRI,
FREEMAN, MCNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, BENNINGHOFF, GROVE, BARRAR,
QUINN, DeLUCA, CAUSER AND MENTZER, APRIL 29, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 29, 2013

AN ACT

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 3368(c) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

§ 3368. Speed timing devices.

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(c) Mechanical, electrical and electronic devices authorized.--

(1) [Except as otherwise provided in this section, the] The rate of speed of any vehicle may be timed on any highway by a police officer using a mechanical or electrical speed timing device.

(2) [Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3), electronic] Electronic devices such as radio-microwave

devices (commonly referred to as electronic speed meters or radar) may be used [only by members of the Pennsylvania State Police] by any police officer.

(3) Electronic devices which calculate speed by measuring elapsed time between measured road surface points by using two sensors and devices which measure and calculate the average speed of a vehicle between any two points may be used by any police officer.

(4) No person may be convicted upon evidence obtained through the use of devices authorized by paragraphs (2) and (3) unless the speed recorded is six or more miles per hour in excess of the legal speed limit. Furthermore, no person may be convicted upon evidence obtained through the use of devices authorized by paragraph (3) in an area where the legal speed limit is less than 55 miles per hour if the speed recorded is less than ten miles per hour in excess of the legal speed limit. This paragraph shall not apply to evidence obtained through the use of devices authorized by paragraph (2) or (3) within a school zone or an active work zone.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.