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RED LIGHT CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

On January 22, 2008, Governor Jon S. Corzine signed into law a bill which directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to establish a five year pilot program allowing municipalities to install red light cameras at traffic control signals. The complete text can be found at http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2006/Bills/PL07/348_.PDF

OVERVIEW OF P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 348

1. Intersections using traffic control signal monitoring systems must be approved by the Commissioner of DOT.
 - A. The selection of locations must be data driven.
 - B. The municipal engineer must also provide a certification to certain requirements.
 - C. The application process has been developed by DOT.
2. No motor vehicle or insurance eligibility points will be assessed for a violation occurring under the provisions of the pilot program.
3. Both the vehicle owner and operator are jointly liable for the violation subject to certain exceptions.
4. Each municipality must establish an ordinance.
5. A law enforcement official must review the recorded images and issue summonses as appropriate.
6. Each traffic control monitoring system must be inspected every 6 months.
7. The act provides standards for the use of and access to images, and for their retention and purging following the issuance of a summons and the payment of a fine or when no summons is issued.
8. Yearly reports are to be filed with DOT.
9. The pilot program will expire after five years unless the legislature takes action.
10. For additional information about participation in this pilot program, log onto: <http://www.state.nj.us/transportation>
The program application link is in the "New on our site" section of DOT's home page.



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