

## Committee on Transportation

### **CS/CS/HB 1363 — Traffic Enforcement**

by Infrastructure Strategies Committee; Transportation & Modals Subcommittee; and Rep. Busatta Cabrera and others (CS/SB 1464 by Fiscal Policy Committee and Senator Calatayud)

The bill prohibits counties or municipalities from using a contract procured with a governmental entity outside this state for any camera system used to detect traffic infractions, entered into on or after July 1, 2025.

The bill prohibits a governmental entity from knowingly entering into or renewing a contract, on or after July 1, 2025, for a camera to enforce traffic infractions where the contracting vendor is owned by the government of a foreign country of concern or a foreign country of concern has a controlling interest in the contracting vendor.

The bill creates the following additional requirements regarding the installation and use of traffic infraction detectors, commonly known as red light cameras:

- Requires a county or municipality to enact an ordinance in order to authorize the placement or installation of, or to authorize contracting with a vendor for the placement or installation of, one or more traffic infraction detectors installed on or after July 1, 2025. Such ordinance must be enacted following a public meeting.
- Requires a county or municipality to determine that the intersection at which the traffic infraction detector is to be placed constitutes a heightened safety risk that warrants additional enforcement measures.
- Requires a county or municipality operating traffic infraction detectors to annually report, at a public meeting, the results of all traffic infraction detectors within the county's or municipality's jurisdiction and provides specific requirements for such report, including data on notices of violation and the collection and distribution of proceeds.
- Provides that compliance or sufficiency of compliance with the above reporting requirement may not be raised in a proceeding challenging specified traffic violations enforced by a traffic infraction detector.

Additionally, the bill provides that a county or municipality that does not comply with the specified reporting requirements is suspended from operating traffic infraction detectors until such noncompliance is corrected.

The bill requires municipalities and counties operating traffic infraction detectors to report specified information to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV). The DHSMV must publish each of these reports on its website.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

*Vote: Senate 40-0; House 109-0*