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HB 657

**ENFORCEMENT OF SCHOOL ZONE
SPEED LIMITS WITH REDSPEED
CAMERA SYSTEMS**

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Implementing a school zone speed camera system

- HB 657 states that an ordinance must be enacted to place or install speed detection systems with public hearing. (1st reading on September 9, 2025)
- Must be approved by Commission to start and each year after.
- Notice and public awareness campaign prior to enforcement.
- Increase the safety of the school zones within the city limits of North Port.



Allocation of funds

- \$100 civil penalty
 - \$20 – Department of Revenue for the general fund.
 - \$60 – City of North Port Police Department and must be used to administer speed detection systems in school zones and other public safety initiatives. (Redspeed - \$21 and NPPD - \$39)
 - \$3 – Department of Law Enforcement Criminal Justice Standards and Training trust fund.
 - \$12 – County school district and must be used for school security initiatives, student transportation, or to improve the safety of student walking conditions. (Shared with charter schools)
 - \$5 – City of North Port Police Department for the school crossing guard recruitment and retention program.



Speed camera system usage

- Enhance the abilities of law enforcement to utilize photo speed enforcement in school zones to affect a change in behavior of drivers that violate the posted speed limit.
- Violations of 11+ mph over the posted speed limit.
- The systems will operate from 30 minutes before a regularly scheduled school breakfast program and through the entirety of the school day to 30 minutes after the end of the school day.
- Only used in school zones during active school days.
- Notice will be sent to the registered owner of the vehicle involved in the violation within 30 days after, specifying the remedies and the penalty that they must pay.
- All violations are reviewed through a multi-stage verification process before the Traffic Enforcement Officer issues a citation.
- A hearing may be requested with the hearing officer, if the citation is disputed.

Technology of speed camera system

- Lane identification for up to three adjacent lanes.
- Permanent fixed locations.
- High-Definition, lane specific motion picture-based enforcement.
- Accuracy of radar ensured by daily self-check at system start up and by annual independent certification via nationally recognized third-party laboratory.
- Cameras function in all weather and lighting conditions.
- Each image provides clear identification with a visible plate and car features.

Five-day traffic study conducted by Redspeer

Schools Studied	Street	Violators 10+ over
Toledo Blade Elementary School	1201 Geranium Ave E Price)	4,589
Glenallen Elementary School	W Price Blvd	3,704
Cranberry Elementary School	S Cranberry Blvd	1,954
Glenallen Elementary School	Glenallen Blvd	1,735
North Port High School	W Price Blvd	702
Heron Creek Middle School		
Woodland Middle School	Panacea Blvd	663
College Preparatory School at Wellen Park	Mezzo Dr	439
Lamarque Elementary School	N Salford Blvd	378
Toledo Blade Elementary School	1201 Geranium Ave (on Jeannin)	274
Atwater Elementary School	Atwater Dr	244





Thank you!