

# SCHOOL BUS STOP ARMS: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## General Information:

### School Bus Stop Arm Cameras:

#### **How do school bus stop arm cameras work?**

The automated school bus stop arm cameras measure the location and movement of a vehicle when a school bus stops and the stop arm is extended. A series of video and photographs are recorded to document vehicles traveling through the extended stop arm. The date, time, and location of the violation, as well as the license plate of the violator's vehicle are recorded. Following the proper identification of the registered owner of the vehicle using the license plate number, the registered owner is mailed a citation, which includes the violation photos.

#### **What are the fines for a school bus stop arm violation?**

\$250 per violation.

#### **Will I receive points on my driving record for a school bus stop arms ticket?**

No. School bus stop arms violations are zero point traffic infractions that are not reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

## Additional Information:

#### **Does anyone review the citations before they are mailed out?**

Yes. In addition to being reviewed by the ATE system contractor, each citation is verified and approved by a police officer. The reviewing police officer signs a statement on the citation that indicates the vehicle was being operated in violation of the law based on inspection of the recorded images.

#### **Will there be a warning period?**

Yes, the warning period is the first 30 days after cameras are installed. Violations recorded within the first 30 days of a camera's installation will receive warning notices only.