In brief...

- Washington State expanded authority for using automated traffic cameras to enforce maximum speed limits, including areas impacted by street racing.

- This proposed legislation would:
  - Incorporate the new State provisions into Seattle Municipal Code.
  - Designate the restricted racing zones where camera enforcement could be applied.

- This proposed legislation does **not**:
  - Provide for implementation of the new authority (budget, installations).
Automated Camera Enforcement in Seattle

• Seattle has used automated traffic safety cameras for:
  • Red Light enforcement (since 2006).
  • School Zone enforcement (since 2012).
  • West Seattle Bridge closure restrictions (2020, since removed).
  • Block-the-Box and Transit-Only Lane enforcement (since 2022).

• In the 2023 Adopted Budget, Council provided funding for SPD and SDOT to develop a plan to double the number of School Zone cameras.

• In an accompanying SLI (SDOT-304-A-001, due August 1, 2023), Council requested:
  • An implementation plan for School Zone cameras.
  • An evaluation of expanding other camera enforcement programs.
New State Authority

In 2022, Washington State expanded use of automated cameras to cover speed limit violations in:

- Walk areas (defined in RCW 28A.160.160).
- Public park speed zones.
- Hospital speed zones.
- Other priority road safety locations, including restricted racing zones designated by local ordinance.
  - State law requires an equity analysis that evaluates livability, accessibility, economics, education, and environmental health in determining specific camera locations.
CB 120600

• Amends SMC 11.50.570 to include the new State camera authority.

• Adds a new SMC 11.50.580, designating restricted racing zones:
  A. Alki Avenue SW between 63rd Ave SW and Harbor Avenue SW.
  B. Harbor Avenue SW between Alki Avenue SW and SW Spokane St.
  C. West Marginal Way SW between SW Spokane St and 2nd Ave SW.
  D. Sand Point Way NE between 38th Ave NE and NE 95th St.
  E. NE 65th St between Sand Point Way NE and Magnuson Park.
  F. Roadways inside Magnuson Park including, but not limited to, NE 65th St and Lake Shore Dr NE.

• Prohibits the installation of new cameras under this authority until the Executive has responded to Council's 2023 SLI (SDOT-304-A-001).

• Implementation will be dependent on future budget authorization and the State-required equity analysis.
Proposed Restricted Racing Zones
Questions?