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Sponsor(s): House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Lovick, Delvin, O'Brien, Armstrong, Ogden, Edmonds, Cooper, Fisher, Boldt, Mitchell, Simpson and Fromhold)

Brief Description: Regulating traffic safety cameras.

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Declares that the use of traffic safety cameras is subject to the following regulations:
(1) The appropriate local legislative authority must first enact an ordinance, or the department of transportation must first establish traffic safety camera zones, allowing for their use to detect one or more of the following: Speeding, stoplight, or railroad crossing violations;
(2) Traffic safety cameras may take pictures of the vehicle and vehicle license plate only and only while an infraction is occurring.
Provides that, under their respective jurisdictions, the law enforcement agency or the department of transportation shall plainly mark the locations where the automated traffic enforcement system is used by placing signs on street locations that clearly indicate to a driver that he or she is entering a zone where traffic laws are enforced by an automated traffic enforcement system.
Provides that infractions detected through the use of traffic safety cameras will be recorded as are stopping, standing, or parking violations under RCW 46.61.560, but are not part of the registered owner's driving record under RCW 46.52.101 and 46.52.120.
Provides that by January 1, 2002, and for four years thereafter, the Washington traffic safety commission shall provide the chairs of the senate and house transportation committees a report regarding the use, outcomes, and other relevant issues of traffic safety cameras in this state.
Provides that the legislature respectfully request the Washington state supreme court to amend the Infraction Rules for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction to conform to this act. Furthermore, the legislature respectfully asks the court to create a notice of infraction that is consistent with this act.