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To Members of the Committee on Transportation, I am writing in support of LD 1457, A Pilot Program for Automated Speed Control Systems in Highway Work Zones.

Speeding has increasingly become a serious safety issue on Maine roads. Enforcement is limited, due to staffing, and the number of people injured on Maine roads is climbing.

This bill is a solid step toward accountability for speeders, and should contribute to fewer injuries and fatalities. The provisions to limit recording of speeding vehicles to those exceeding the posted speed limit by 11 PMH is modest, but hopefully will encourage drivers to slow down.