

HOUSE BILL 189: Red Light Camera Delay Interval.

2025-2026 General Assembly

Committee: House Transportation. If favorable, re-refer to Date: March 12, 2025

Judiciary 1. If favorable, re-refer to Rules,

Calendar, and Operations of the House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 189 would amend the General Statute that relates to vehicle control by signs and signals, to state that a traffic control photographic system used to enforce traffic control signs and signals shall meet certain requirements.

CURRENT LAW/BILL ANALYSIS: Current law outlines the requirements for vehicle control signs and signals which control motor vehicle traffic movement within this State, and enacted state and local modifications further authorized and outline the use of traffic control photographic systems and the associated locations and enforcement mechanisms for those systems.

This section would specify that a violation detected by a traffic control photographic system is defined as when a vehicle enters and proceeds into the intersection after the onset of the signal display of a steady circular red or steady red arrow controlling traffic approaching the intersection and the applicable red clearance interval has expired. This section would also specify that the duration of certain light change intervals shall be no less than specified on sealed traffic control plans, in accordance with laws and the provisions of the most recent Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective 60 days after it becomes law and applies to any enforcement of G.S. 20-158 by a traffic control photographic system, including by any municipality authorized under G.S. 160A-300.1, and S.L. 2001-286, as amended.

