



December 2, 2023

MC 7-24

**TO:** Montgomery County Delegation  
**FROM:** Maryland Sierra Club, Montgomery County Group  
**RE:** MC 7-24 “Montgomery County – State Highway Intersections – Traffic Control Devices”  
**POSITION:** Support

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This testimony is on behalf of the Maryland Sierra Club’s Montgomery County Group. Part of creating a more sustainable planet is a transportation system that prioritizes people over private vehicles. Thus, we support MC 7-24, which would require the State Highway Administration to install traffic control devices prohibiting right hand turns on red lights at certain intersections and providing for leading pedestrian intervals at certain crosswalks in Montgomery County. This also would match the provisions in the Safe Streets Act passed by the Montgomery County Council.

As pedestrian fatalities continue to rise, it is incumbent upon our legislative bodies to adopt policies that are proven to save lives. These two changes in the county’s urban centers would result in a significantly safer and more pleasant pedestrian experience by creating fewer conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles.

For these reasons, we urge the Delegation to introduce MC 7-24 in the 2024 session.

Respectfully,

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