

**ORDINANCE #923**

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen: April 10, 2025

Approved by the Mayor:

4.15.25 *M G Jones*  
Date Mayor's Signature

Attested to: *Sophia Belad*  
City/Town Clerk

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SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM PROGRAM AND ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE

Intent: The State of Connecticut authorizes municipalities to institute a municipal school bus violation enforcement systems to enforce the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-279 of the general statutes. Pursuant to the general statues, the City of Shelton intends to enact a municipal school bus violation system traffic camera enforcement program.

Whereas, the prevalence of reckless and distracted driving threatens the health, welfare, and safety of pedestrians, including school children, within this community; and

Whereas, increasing safety for school children entering and exiting school buses is of paramount importance to public safety; and

Whereas, leveraging new technologies in a reasonable and equitable manner can support efforts to enhance traffic and pedestrian safety; and

Whereas, any municipality, as defined in section 7-148 of the general statutes, may, by vote of its legislative body, adopt an ordinance to authorize the use of a municipal school bus violation enforcement system to enforce the provisions of subsection (a) of section 14-279 of the general statutes and impose monetary liability on vehicles that illegally pass a stopped school bus.

Now Therefore, Be it Ordained by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shelton that, pursuant to the general laws and effective upon publication, the Municipal Code of Ordinances #923 Municipal School Bus Violation Enforcement System is hereby enacted as follows:

ARTICLE I – ESTABLISHED.

Pursuant to General Statutes §14–279(a), as amended by 2024 Conn. Legis. Serv. P.A. 24-107, the City of Shelton hereby authorizes the use of a municipal school bus violation enforcement system, which shall include one or more camera sensors and computers that produce: (1) digital and recorded video images of motor vehicles being operated in violation of this ordinance, (2) a visual image that is viewable remotely and a recorded image of the number plate of a motor vehicle violating this ordinance, and (3) a recorded image that indicates the date, time and location of the violation.

ARTICLE II – VIOLATION.

The owner of a motor vehicle commits a violation of this ordinance if the person operating such motor vehicle violates the provisions of General Statutes §14–279(a), as amended by 2024 Conn. Legis. Serv. P.A. 24-107, unless an affidavit is filed pursuant to Sec. 4, subsection (j) of said Public Act.

ARTICLE III – PROCEDURE.

The procedures set forth in 2024 Conn. Legis. Serv. P.A. 24-107, Sec. 4, and General Statutes §7-152c are hereby adopted.

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ARTICLE IV – FINE.

A violation of this ordinance shall result in a fine in the amount of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars.

ARTICLE V – COLLECTION.

The City of Shelton or its designated agent shall have the authority to collect such fines, with proceeds credited to the City of Shelton.

ARTICLE VI – USE OF FUNDS.

Funds received by the City of Shelton from such fines shall be used for the purpose of improving public safety in the City of Shelton, compensating any private vendor that installs, operates or maintains a municipal school bus violation enforcement system, or both.

ARTICLE VII – HEARING OFFICER(S)

The Mayor shall appoint and have trained three hearing officers to hear any appeals.

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