



# SUPPORT

## **S. 4331/A. 6449 (Gounardes/Glick)**

### **Speed Cameras in School Speed Zones in NYC**

The New York League of Conservation Voters supports S. 4331/A. 6449 (Gounardes/Glick), which would expand the number and hours of operation of photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in New York City and extend the monitoring program through July 1, 2022.

In 2013, a demonstration program placed speed safety cameras near schools in New York City to prevent speeding and unnecessary danger to pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists. The NYC Department of Transportation reported a 60% decrease in speeding infractions at these locations since the installation of the cameras, with little recidivism. Speed cameras can be part of a holistic approach to reshaping urban streets that focuses on making streets safe and accessible for everyone.

S. 4331/A. 6449 would increase the allowable number of speed cameras in school zones in New York City from 140 to 750. These cameras will make communities safer, especially for youths in New York City, by reducing dangerous speeding. When families feel safe walking or biking to their destinations, they are less likely to use automobiles, creating a healthier environment for everyone.

NYLCV therefore supports S. 4331/A. 6449 and urges its passage.

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