

S.F. No. 0095	Speed limits.
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Sponsored By: Senator(s) Coe, Anderson, J.D. (SD02), Bebout, Cooper, Meier and Nicholas, P. and Representative(s) Brown, Krone, Miller, Northrup and Zwonitzer, Dv.

AN ACT relating to operation of motor vehicles; authorizing establishment of a higher speed limit on state highways as specified; amending penalties for violations of speed limits on interstate highways; authorizing a study; requiring a report; and providing for an effective date.

1/20/2015 Bill Number Assigned
1/20/2015 S Received for Introduction
1/21/2015 S Introduced and Referred to S08 - Transportation
2/3/2015 Transportation:Recommend Do Pass 3-2-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, J.D. (SD02), Johnson, Meier

Nays: Senator(s) Emerich, Esquibel, F.

Ayes 3 **Nays** 2 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/3/2015 S Placed on General File
2/3/2015 S COW Rerefer to S02 - Appropriations
2/4/2015 Appropriations:Recommend Do Pass 4-0-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Hastert, Perkins, Ross, Wasserburger

Excused: Senator Burns

Ayes 4 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/4/2015 S Placed on General File
2/5/2015 S COW Passed
2/6/2015 S 2nd Reading:Passed

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Page 1-line 3 After "specified;" insert "amending penalties for violations of speed limits on interstate highways; authorizing a study; requiring a report; providing an appropriation;".

Page 1-line 7 Delete "31-5-301(b)(iv) and 31-5-302" insert "31-5-301(b)(iii)(intro), (iv) and by creating a new paragraph (vi), 31-5-302, 31-5-1201(d)(i), (iii), (v) and (g) and 31-18-704".

Page 2-after line 4 Insert:
"(iii) Except as provided under paragraph (vi) of this subsection, seventy-five (75) miles per hour on interstate highways. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to:".

Page 2-after line 10 Insert:
"(vi) Notwithstanding paragraph (iii) of this subsection, eighty (80) miles per hour on interstate highways designated by the superintendent."

Page 3-after line 16 Insert:

"31-5-1201. Violation of provisions to constitute misdemeanor; penalties.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section:

(i) Every person convicted of a violation of W.S. 31-5-301(b) (vi), for speeds of eighty-one (81) through eighty-five (85) miles per hour, W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii), for speeds of seventy-six (76) through eighty (80) miles per hour, or W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iv), for speeds of sixty-six (66) through seventy (70) miles per hour, shall be fined five dollars (\$5.00) for each mile per hour in excess of the legal speed limit not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00);

(iii) Every person convicted of a violation of W.S. 31-5-301(b) (vi), for speeds above eighty-five (85) miles per hour, or W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii), for speeds above eighty (80) miles per hour, shall be fined at the discretion of the judge but not less than thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) nor more than the maximum penalties provided by subsection (b) of this section, with assessed court costs which shall also apply to a violation of W.S. 31-5-301(b) (vi) for speeds above eighty-five (85) miles per hour or W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii) for ~~a speed of~~ speeds above eighty (80) miles per hour;

(v) Notwithstanding W.S. ~~5-4-207 and~~ 5-9-107, court costs for violations of W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii), ~~or~~ (iv) or (vi) shall not be assessed for speeds up to four (4) miles per hour over the speed limits authorized by W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii), ~~or~~ (iv) or (vi).

(g) In addition to any other penalty, every person convicted of violating W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii), (iv), (vi) or (c) or 31-5-302 by exceeding the posted speed limit by six (6) or more miles per hour, while operating a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight or gross vehicle weight rating exceeding twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds shall be fined three hundred dollars (\$300.00).

31-18-704. Violation of speed limits; penalties.

In addition to any other penalty, every person convicted of violating W.S. 31-5-301(b) (vi) by exceeding a speed of eighty-five (85) miles per hour, W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iii) by exceeding a speed of eighty (80) miles per hour, or W.S. 31-5-301(b) (iv) by exceeding a speed of seventy (70) miles per hour, while operating a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight or gross vehicle weight rating exceeding twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Section 2.

(a) The department of transportation shall conduct an engineering screening study of the non-interstate highway system to discern if a speed limit increase from sixty-five (65) miles per hour to seventy (70) miles per hour is feasible on parts of the system. The study shall provide a prioritized list of candidate roadway segments for immediate and future conversion to a seventy (70) mile per hour speed limit.

(b) The department shall report the study to the joint transportation, highway and military affairs interim committee no later than November 15, 2015.

Section 3. There is appropriated one hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000.00) from the highway fund to the department of transportation. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2016. This appropriation shall only be expended for the purpose of the study pursuant to section 2 of this act and conversion of the first

prioritized candidate roadway segments. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on July 1, 2016. This appropriation shall not be included in the department's 2017-2018 standard biennial budget request.

Section 4. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution."

Page 3-line 18 Delete. COE

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, J.D.(SD02), Anderson, J.L.(SD28), Barnard, Bebout, Burns, Case, Christensen, Coe, Cooper, Craft, Dockstader, Driskill, Emerich, Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Johnson, Kinskey, Landen, Meier, Nicholas Pres, Pappas, Peterson, Rothfuss, Von Flatern

Nays: Senator(s) Esquibel, Perkins, Ross, Scott, Wasserburger

Ayes 25 **Nays** 5 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/9/2015 S 3rd Reading:Laid Back

2/10/2015 S 3rd Reading:Passed 26-4-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, J.D.(SD02), Anderson, J.L.(SD28), Barnard, Bebout, Burns, Case, Christensen, Coe, Cooper, Craft, Dockstader, Driskill, Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Kinskey, Landen, Meier, Nicholas Pres, Pappas, Perkins, Peterson, Ross, Rothfuss, Von Flatern, Wasserburger

Nays: Senator(s) Emerich, Esquibel, Johnson, Scott

Ayes 26 **Nays** 4 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/11/2015 H Received for Introduction

2/18/2015 H Introduced and Referred to H08 - Transportation

2/20/2015 Transportation:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 6-3-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allen, Blake, Loucks, Reeder, Walters, Zwonitzer, Dv.

Nays: Representative(s) Campbell, Cannady, Eklund

Ayes 6 **Nays** 3 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/20/2015 H Placed on General File

2/20/2015 H COW Rerefer to H02 - Appropriations

2/24/2015 Appropriations:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 7-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Burkhart, Connolly, Greear, Harshman, Moniz, Nicholas, B., Stubson

Ayes 7 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/24/2015 H Placed on General File

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Page 7-line 3

After "." insert "The study shall also consider placement of variable speed limit signs where appropriate.". ZWONITZER, DV., CHAIRMAN

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Page 1-line 5 Delete "providing an appropriation;".
Page 7-lines 9 through 22 Delete entirely.
Page 8-line 1 Delete "Section 4." insert "Section 3."
HARSHMAN, CHAIRMAN

2/26/2015 H COW Passed
2/27/2015 H 2nd Reading:Passed
3/2/2015 H 3rd Reading:Passed 52-6-2-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allen, Baker, Baldwin, Barlow, Berger, Blackburn, Blake, Brown Speaker, Burkhart, Byrd, Campbell, Clem, Connolly, Dayton, Edmonds, Edwards, Esquibel, Freeman, Gay, Greear, Halverson, Harshman, Harvey, Hunt, Jaggi, Jennings, Kasperik, Kroeker, Krone, Larsen Lloyd, Laursen Dan, Lindholm, Lockhart, Loucks, McKim, Miller, Moniz, Nicholas, Northrup, Paxton, Pelkey, Petroff, Piiparinen, Pownall, Reeder, Schwartz, Sommers, Steinmetz, Throne, Walters, Zwonitzer,Dn, Zwonitzer,Dv

Nays: Representative(s) Cannady, Eklund, Kirkbride, Madden, Stubson, Wilson

Excused: Representative(s) Patton, Winters

Ayes 52 **Nays** 6 **Excused** 2 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

3/2/2015 S Received for Concurrence
3/2/2015 S Concur:Passed 27-2-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, J.D.(SD02), Anderson, J.L.(SD28), Barnard, Bebout, Burns, Christensen, Coe, Cooper, Dockstader, Driskill, Emerich, Esquibel, Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Kinskey, Landen, Meier, Nicholas Pres, Pappas, Perkins, Peterson, Ross, Rothfuss, Scott, Von Flatern, Wasserburger

Nays: Senator(s) Case, Johnson

Excused: Senator Craft

Ayes 27 **Nays** 2 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

3/3/2015 Assigned Number SEA No. 0057
3/3/2015 S President Signed SEA No. 0057
3/3/2015 H Speaker Signed SEA No. 0057
3/6/2015 Governor Signed SEA No. 0057
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