
HOUSE BILL No. 1178

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-21-5-2.

Synopsis: Speed limits. Raises the maximum speed limit to 70 miles per hour for automobiles and 65 miles per hour for trucks on interstate highways in Indiana. Raises the maximum speed limit for automobiles to 60 miles per hour and 55 miles per hour for trucks on four lane, rural, divided noninterstate highways in Indiana.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

Wolkins

January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

C
O
P
Y



Second Regular Session 111th General Assembly (2000)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

C
O
P
Y

HOUSE BILL No. 1178



A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-21-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 2. Except when a special hazard
3 exists that requires lower speed for compliance with section 1 of this
4 chapter, the slower speed limit specified in this section or established
5 as authorized by section 3 of this chapter is the maximum lawful speed.
6 A person may not drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed in excess of
7 the following maximum limits:
8 (1) Thirty (30) miles per hour in an urban district.
9 (2) Fifty-five (55) miles per hour, except as provided in
10 subdivisions (1), (3), ~~and~~ (4), **(6), and (7)**.
11 (3) ~~Sixty-five (65)~~ **Seventy (70)** miles per hour on a highway on
12 the national system of interstate and defense highways located
13 outside of an urbanized area (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a
14 population of at least fifty thousand (50,000), except as provided
15 in subdivision (4).
16 (4) ~~Sixty (60)~~ **Sixty-five (65)** miles per hour for a vehicle (other
17 than a bus) having a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six



1 thousand (26,000) pounds on a highway on the national system of
 2 interstate and defense highways located outside an urbanized area
 3 (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty
 4 thousand (50,000).

5 (5) Fifteen (15) miles per hour in an alley.

6 **(6) Sixty (60) miles per hour on a highway that:**

7 **(A) is not designated as a part of the national system of**
 8 **interstate and defense highways;**

9 **(B) has four (4) or more lanes;**

10 **(C) is divided into two (2) or more roadways by:**

11 **(i) an intervening space that is unimproved and not**
 12 **intended for vehicular travel;**

13 **(ii) a physical barrier; or**

14 **(iii) a dividing section constructed to impede vehicular**
 15 **traffic; and**

16 **(D) is located outside an urbanized area (as defined in 23**
 17 **U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand**
 18 **(50,000);**

19 **except as provided in subdivision (7).**

20 **(7) Fifty-five (55) miles per hour for a vehicle (other than a**
 21 **bus) having a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six**
 22 **thousand (26,000) pounds on a highway that:**

23 **(A) is not designated as a part of the national system of**
 24 **interstate and defense highways;**

25 **(B) has four (4) or more lanes;**

26 **(C) is divided into two (2) or more roadways by:**

27 **(i) an intervening space that is unimproved and not**
 28 **intended for vehicular travel;**

29 **(ii) a physical barrier; or**

30 **(iii) a dividing section constructed to impede vehicular**
 31 **traffic; and**

32 **(D) is located outside an urbanized area (as defined in 23**
 33 **U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand**
 34 **(50,000).**

C
O
P
Y

