

HOUSE BILL No. 1120

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

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

Synopsis: Speed limits. Raises the maximum speed limit on certain highways located outside urbanized areas to 65 miles per hour. (The current speed limit on these highways is 60 miles per hour.)

Effective: July 1, 2013.

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January 8, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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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, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006,
- 2 SECTION 163, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. Except when a special hazard
- 4 exists that requires lower speed for compliance with section 1 of this
- 5 chapter, the slower speed limit specified in this section or established
- 6 as authorized by section 3 of this chapter is the maximum lawful speed.
- 7 A person may not drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed in excess of
- 8 the following maximum limits:
- 9 (1) Thirty (30) miles per hour in an urban district.
- 10 (2) Fifty-five (55) miles per hour, except as provided in
- 11 subdivisions (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7).
- 12 (3) Seventy (70) miles per hour on a highway on the national
- 13 system of interstate and defense highways located outside of an
- 14 urbanized area (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of
- 15 at least fifty thousand (50,000), except as provided in subdivision
- 16 (4).
- 17 (4) Sixty-five (65) miles per hour for a vehicle (other than a bus)



- 1 having a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six thousand
 2 (26,000) pounds on a highway on the national system of interstate
 3 and defense highways located outside an urbanized area (as
 4 defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty
 5 thousand (50,000).
 6 (5) Sixty-five (65) miles per hour on:
 7 (A) U.S. 20 from the intersection of U.S. 20 and County Road
 8 17 in Elkhart County to the intersection of U.S. 20 and U.S. 31
 9 in St. Joseph County;
 10 (B) U.S. 31 from the intersection of U.S. 31 and U.S. 20 in St.
 11 Joseph County to the boundary line between Indiana and
 12 Michigan; and
 13 (C) a highway classified by the Indiana department of
 14 transportation as an INDOT Freeway.
 15 (6) On a highway that is the responsibility of the Indiana finance
 16 authority established by IC 4-4-11:
 17 (A) seventy (70) miles per hour for:
 18 (i) a motor vehicle having a declared gross weight of not
 19 more than twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds; or
 20 (ii) a bus; or
 21 (B) sixty-five (65) miles per hour for a motor vehicle having
 22 a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six thousand
 23 (26,000) pounds.
 24 (7) ~~Sixty (60)~~ **Sixty-five (65)** miles per hour on a highway that:
 25 (A) is not designated as a part of the national system of
 26 interstate and defense highways;
 27 (B) has four (4) or more lanes;
 28 (C) is divided into two (2) or more roadways by:
 29 (i) an intervening space that is unimproved and not intended
 30 for vehicular travel;
 31 (ii) a physical barrier; or
 32 (iii) a dividing section constructed to impede vehicular
 33 traffic; and
 34 (D) is located outside an urbanized area (as defined in 23
 35 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand
 36 (50,000).
 37 (8) Fifteen (15) miles per hour in an alley.

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