



HOUSE BILL No. 4589

April 1, 1993, Introduced by Reps. Hammerstrom, Llewellyn, Brackenridge and Galloway and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend section 629 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended "Michigan vehicle code," as amended by Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1988, being section 257.629 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 629 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
2 1949, as amended by Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1988, being
3 section 257.629 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read
4 as follows:

5 Sec. 629. (1) ~~Local authorities~~ A LOCAL AUTHORITY may
6 establish, ~~or~~ increase, OR DECREASE the prima facie speed
7 ~~limits on highways under their~~ LIMIT ON A HIGHWAY UNDER ITS
8 jurisdiction subject to the following limitations:

1 (a) A highway within a business or residential district on
2 which the prima facie speed limit is increased shall be desig-
3 nated a through highway at the entrance to which vehicles shall
4 be required to stop before entering, except that where 2 of these
5 through highways intersect, A local ~~authorities~~ AUTHORITY may
6 require traffic on only 1 highway to stop before entering the
7 intersection.

8 (b) The local ~~authorities~~ AUTHORITY shall place and main-
9 tain, upon ~~all~~ EACH through ~~highways in~~ HIGHWAY ON which the
10 permissible speed is increased, adequate signs giving notice of
11 the special regulations and shall also place and maintain, upon
12 each highway intersecting a through highway, appropriate signs
13 ~~which shall be~~ THAT ARE reflectorized or illuminated at night.

14 (c) ~~Local authorities~~ A LOCAL AUTHORITY may establish A
15 prima facie lawful speed ~~limits~~ LIMIT on ~~highways~~ A HIGHWAY
16 outside of business ~~or~~ AND residential districts ~~which shall~~
17 ~~not be~~ OF NOT less than 25 miles per hour, except as provided in
18 subsection (4).

19 (d) Before a local authority increases or decreases the
20 prima facie speed limit on a state trunk line highway within a
21 school zone, the local authority shall confer with the state
22 transportation department, the department of state police, and
23 the school board of the affected school district.

24 (2) The state transportation commission may establish the
25 speed ~~which shall be~~ THAT IS prima facie lawful upon all trunk
26 line highways outside of business districts and located within
27 cities and villages and outside of school zones, as follows:

1 (a) A written copy of the authorization or determination
 2 shall be filed in the office of the county clerk of the county or
 3 counties where the highway is located and a certified copy of the
 4 authorization or determination ~~shall be~~ IS prima facie evidence
 5 in all courts of the issuance of the authorization or
 6 determination.

7 (b) When the state transportation commission increases the
 8 speed upon a trunk line highway as provided in this act, subject
 9 to section 627a, the state transportation department shall place
 10 and maintain upon ~~these highways~~ THAT HIGHWAY adequate signs
 11 giving notice of the permissible speed fixed by the state trans-
 12 portation commission.

13 (3) ~~Local authorities are authorized to~~ A LOCAL AUTHORITY
 14 MAY decrease the prima facie speed ~~limits in public parks under~~
 15 ~~their~~ LIMIT IN A PUBLIC PARK UNDER ITS jurisdiction. A decrease
 16 in the prima facie speed ~~limits shall be binding~~ LIMIT IS
 17 EFFECTIVE when adequate signs ~~are duly posted~~ giving notice of
 18 the reduced speeds ARE DULY POSTED.

19 (4) ~~Local authorities are authorized to~~ A LOCAL AUTHORITY
 20 MAY decrease the prima facie speed ~~limits~~ LIMIT to not less
 21 than 15 miles an hour on each street or highway under ~~their~~ ITS
 22 jurisdiction ~~which~~ THAT is adjacent to a publicly owned park or
 23 playground. A decrease in the prima facie speed ~~limits shall be~~
 24 ~~binding~~ LIMIT IS EFFECTIVE when adequate signs ~~are duly posted~~
 25 giving notice of the reduced ~~speeds~~ SPEED ARE DULY POSTED. ~~As~~
 26 ~~used in this subsection, "local authority" includes the county~~
 27 ~~road commission with the concurrence of the township board of a~~

1 ~~township for a street or highway within the boundaries of the~~
2 ~~township.~~

3 (5) The maximum rates of speed allowed pursuant to this sec-
4 tion are subject to the maximum rate established pursuant to sec-
5 tion 629b.

6 (6) A person who exceeds a lawful speed limit established
7 pursuant to this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

8 (7) As used in this section, "local authority" means THE
9 TOWNSHIP BOARD OF A TOWNSHIP, IF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD HAS CONFERRED
10 WITH THE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT,
11 INCREASE, OR DECREASE OF A PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT UNDER THIS
12 SECTION, OR the governing body of a city or village. ~~except~~
13 ~~as provided in subsection (4).~~