

NON-PAVED ROAD SPEED LIMIT

House Bill 4138

Sponsor: Rep. Thomas Middleton

Committee: Transportation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4138 AS INTRODUCED 1-28-97

House Bill 4138 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to require that the maximum speed limit on all non-paved roads be set at 45 miles per hour, unless the road was already posted with a speed limit. Currently, the speed limit on these roads usually is 55, although the limit varies, since it is set by the state and local road agencies with jurisdiction over the particular road. Under the bill, unpaved roads would be defined as those that consist of crushed stone, shale, slag, sand, gravel, or other aggregate.

The bill also would eliminate references to the State Transportation Commission, and instead substitute references to the Department of Transportation, in provisions governing determination of speed limits for highways under state jurisdiction.

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