

Legislative Analysis



CITY COUNCIL ROLE IN SPEED LIMITS FOR STATE TRUNK LINE HIGHWAY

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House Bill 4032

Sponsor: Rep. Gretchen Whitmer

Committee: Transportation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4032 AS INTRODUCED 1-27-05

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to provide city councils a role in setting speed limits on state trunk line highways that are within city limits.

Currently, the Vehicle Code says:

If the State Transportation Commission and the director of the Department of State Police jointly determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that the speed of . . . traffic on a state trunk line highway is greater or less than is reasonable or safe . . ., the officials acting jointly may determine . . .a reasonable and safe maximum or minimum on that state trunk line highway . . .

The bill would amend that language to include "**and the city council if a state trunk line highway is within the limits of the city.**" As a result, a city council would, along with the State Transportation Commission and the director of the Department of State Policy, jointly make the determinations cited earlier.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would have no fiscal impact.

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