THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY McCALL, DeWEESE, WOJNAROSKI, GEIST, BARRAR, BELFANTI, CAPPABIANCA, M. COHEN, COSTA, DeLUCA, FLICK, GODSHALL, HALUSKA, HORSEY, MELIO, METCALFE, PETRARCA, PRESTON, ROONEY, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, TRAVAGLIO, TRELLO, WILT AND WOGAN, JANUARY 30, 2001

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 30, 2001

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, further providing for maximum speed limits and for
- 3 regulation of traffic on the Pennsylvania Turnpike.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Sections 3362(a)(1.1) and 6110(a) of Title 75 of
- 7 the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:
- 8 § 3362. Maximum speed limits.
- 9 (a) General rule. -- Except when a special hazard exists that
- 10 requires lower speed for compliance with section 3361 (relating
- 11 to driving vehicle at safe speed), the limits specified in this
- 12 section or established under this subchapter shall be maximum
- 13 lawful speeds and no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed in
- 14 excess of the following maximum limits:
- 15 * * *
- 16 (1.1) 65 miles per hour for all vehicles[:
- 17 (i) on interstate highways outside of urbanized

- areas of population of 50,000 or more; and
- 2 (ii)] on [other] freeways where the department has
- 3 posted a 65-miles-per-hour speed limit [in accordance
- with the provisions of 23 U.S.C. (relating to highways)].
- 5 * * *
- 6 § 6110. Regulation of traffic on Pennsylvania Turnpike.
- 7 (a) General rule. -- The provisions of this title apply upon
- 8 any turnpike or highway under the supervision and control of the
- 9 Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission unless specifically modified by
- 10 rules and regulations promulgated by the commission which shall
- 11 become effective only upon publication in accordance with law. A
- 12 copy of the rules and regulations, so long as they are
- 13 effective, shall be posted at all entrances to the turnpike or
- 14 highway for the inspection of persons using the turnpike or
- 15 highway. This section does not authorize the establishment of a
- 16 maximum speed limit greater than 55 miles per hour, except that
- 17 a 65-miles-per-hour maximum speed limit for all vehicles may be
- 18 established[:
- 19 (1) on interstate highways outside of urbanized areas of
- 20 population of 50,000 or more; and
- 21 (2) on other freeways] where the commission has posted a
- 22 65-miles-per-hour speed limit [in accordance with the
- provisions of 23 United States Code (relating to highways)].
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- 25 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.