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## STATE OF MICHIGAN 84TH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 1988

Introduced by Reps. Hoekman, Bartnik, Stopczynski, Hertel, Porreca, Ouwinga, Connors and Dunaskiss

## ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5370

AN ACT to amend section 627 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended "An act to provide for the registration, titling, sale, transfer, and regulation of vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public and distressed vehicles; to provide for the licensing of dealers; to provide for the examination, licensing, and control of operators and chauffeurs; to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles; to provide for the imposition, levy, and collection of specific taxes on vehicles, and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes, license fees, and permit fees; to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways; to create certain funds; to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act; to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents; to provide for the levy of certain assessments; to provide for the enforcement of this act; to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies; to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date," as amended by Act No. 92 of the Public Acts of 1986, being section 257.627 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

## The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section 627 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, as amended by Act No. 92 of the Public Acts of 1986, being section 257.627 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

- Sec. 627. (1) A person driving a vehicle on a highway shall drive at a careful and prudent speed not greater than nor less than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface, and width of the highway and of any other condition then existing. A person shall not drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed greater than that which will permit a stop within the assured, clear distance ahead.
- (2) Subject to subsection (1) and except in those instances where a lower speed is specified in this chapter, it shall be prima facie lawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive at a speed not exceeding the following, except when this speed would be unsafe:
  - (a) 25 miles an hour on all highways in a business or residence district as defined in this act.
  - (b) 25 miles an hour in public parks unless a different speed is fixed and duly posted.
- (3) It shall be prima facie unlawful for a person to exceed the speed limits prescribed in subsection (2), except as provided in section 629.
- (4) The driver of a vehicle in a mobile home park as defined in section 2 of Act No. 96 of the Public Acts of 1987, being section 125.2302 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall drive at a careful and prudent speed, not greater than a speed which is reasonable and proper, having due regard for the traffic, surface, width of the roadway, and all other conditions existing, and not greater than a speed which will permit a stop within the

assured clear distance ahead. It shall be prima facie unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive at a speed exceeding 15 miles an hour in a mobile home park as defined in section 2 of Act No. 96 of the Public Acts of 1987.

- (5) A person driving a passenger vehicle drawing another vehicle or trailer shall not exceed a speed of 55 miles per hour, unless the vehicle or trailer has 2 wheels or less and does not exceed the combined weight of 750 pounds for the vehicle or trailer and load, or a trailer coach of not more than 26 feet in length with brakes on each wheel and attached to the passenger vehicle with an equalizing or stabilizing coupling unit.
- (6) A truck with a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or more, a truck-tractor with a trailer, or a combination of these vehicles shall not exceed a speed of 55 miles per hour on highways, streets, or freeways, which shall be reduced to 35 miles per hour during the period when reduced loadings are being enforced in accordance with this chapter.
  - (7) A person driving a school bus shall not exceed the speed of 50 miles per hour.
- (8) The maximum rates of speeds allowed pursuant to this section are subject to the maximum rate established pursuant to section 629b.
- (9) A person who operates a vehicle on the highway shall not exceed a speed of 45 miles per hour when entering and passing through a designated work area where a normal lane or part of the lane of traffic has been closed due to highway construction, maintenance, or surveying activities. The state transportation department, a county road commission, or a local authority shall identify a designated work area with traffic control devices which are in conformance with the Michigan manual of uniform traffic control devices on streets and highways under its jurisdiction. A person shall not exceed the foregoing speed limitation or those established pursuant to section 628 or 629.
  - (10) A person who violates this section is responsible for a civil infraction.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

	Clerk of the House of Representatives.
	Secretary of the Senate.
Approved	
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Governor.	

