

1-1 By: Alvarado S.B. No. 1663
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2023; March 16, 2023, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation;
 1-4 April 5, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 5, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Nichols	X			
1-8 West	X			
1-9 Alvarado	X			
1-10 Eckhardt	X			
1-11 Hancock	X			
1-12 King	X			
1-13 Miles	X			
1-14 Parker	X			
1-15 Perry	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the authority of a municipality to alter speed limits.
 1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-21 SECTION 1. Sections 545.356(b-1), (c), and (d),
 1-22 Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:
 1-23 (b-1) Except as provided by Subsection (b-3), the governing
 1-24 body of a municipality, for a highway or a part of a highway in the
 1-25 municipality that is not an officially designated or marked highway
 1-26 or road of the state highway system, may declare a lower speed limit
 1-27 of not less than 20 ~~[25]~~ miles per hour, if the governing body
 1-28 determines that the prima facie speed limit on the highway is
 1-29 unreasonable or unsafe. A municipality is not required to perform
 1-30 an engineering or traffic investigation to declare a lower speed
 1-31 limit under this subsection if the street is located in a residence
 1-32 district.
 1-33 (c) A prima facie speed limit that is altered by the
 1-34 governing body of a municipality under Subsection (b) ~~[(b-1)],~~ or
 1-35 (b-3) is effective when the governing body erects signs giving
 1-36 notice of the new limit and at all times or at other times as
 1-37 determined.
 1-38 (d) The governing body of a municipality that declares a
 1-39 lower speed limit on a highway or part of a highway under Subsection
 1-40 ~~[(b-1) or]~~ (b-3), not later than February 1 of each year, shall
 1-41 publish on its Internet website and submit to the department a
 1-42 report that compares for each of the two previous calendar years:
 1-43 (1) the number of traffic citations issued by peace
 1-44 officers of the municipality and the alleged speed of the vehicles,
 1-45 for speed limit violations on the highway or part of the highway;
 1-46 (2) the number of warning citations issued by peace
 1-47 officers of the municipality on the highway or part of the highway;
 1-48 and
 1-49 (3) the number of vehicular accidents that resulted in
 1-50 injury or death and were attributable to speed limit violations on
 1-51 the highway or part of the highway.
 1-52 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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