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H.B. No. 87

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the authority of a municipality to alter speed limits in  
3 an urban district within the municipality.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 545.356, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (c) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (b-1) The governing body of a municipality, for a highway or  
9 a part of a highway in an urban district in the municipality, may  
10 declare a lower speed limit of not less than 25 miles per hour, if  
11 the governing body determines that the prima facie speed limit on  
12 the highway is unreasonable or unsafe.

13 (c) A prima facie speed limit that is altered by the  
14 governing body of a municipality under Subsection (b) or (b-1) is  
15 effective when the governing body erects signs giving notice of the  
16 new limit and at all times or at other times as determined.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.