

1-1 By: Reyna (Senate Sponsor - Madla) H.B. No. 87  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 4, 2005;  
1-3 April 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Transportation and Homeland Security; May 3, 2005, reported  
1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 1; May 3, 2005, sent  
1-6 to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to the authority of a municipality to alter speed limits in  
1-10 an urban district within the municipality.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 545.356, Transportation Code, is amended  
1-13 by adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (c) to read as  
1-14 follows:

1-15 (b-1) The governing body of a municipality, for a highway or  
1-16 a part of a highway in an urban district in the municipality that is  
1-17 not an officially designated or marked highway or road of the state  
1-18 highway system, is 35 feet or less in width, and along which  
1-19 vehicular parking is not prohibited on one or both sides of the  
1-20 highway, may declare a lower speed limit of not less than 25 miles  
1-21 per hour, if the governing body determines that the prima facie  
1-22 speed limit on the highway is unreasonable or unsafe.

1-23 (c) A prima facie speed limit that is altered by the  
1-24 governing body of a municipality under Subsection (b) or (b-1) is  
1-25 effective when the governing body erects signs giving notice of the  
1-26 new limit and at all times or at other times as determined.

1-27 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-28 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-29 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-30 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-31 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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