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H.B. No. 2892

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prima facie speed limits.

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

SECTION 1. Section 545.352(b), Transportation Code, as amended by Chapters 663 (H.B. 385), 739 (H.B. 1075), and 1346 (H.B. 676), Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999, is reenacted to read as follows:

(b) Unless a special hazard exists that requires a slower speed for compliance with Section 545.351(b), the following speeds are lawful:

(1) 30 miles per hour in an urban district on a street other than an alley and 15 miles per hour in an alley;

(2) 70 miles per hour in daytime and 65 miles per hour in nighttime if the vehicle is a passenger car, motorcycle, passenger car or light truck towing a trailer bearing a vessel, as defined by Section 31.003, Parks and Wildlife Code, that is less than 26 feet in length, passenger car or light truck towing a trailer or semitrailer used primarily to transport a motorcycle, or passenger car or light truck towing a trailer or semitrailer designed and used primarily to transport dogs or livestock, on a highway numbered by this state or the United States outside an urban district, including a farm-to-market or ranch-to-market road; except as provided by Subdivision (4);

(3) 60 miles per hour in daytime and 55 miles per hour

1 in nighttime if the vehicle is on a highway that is outside an urban
2 district and not a highway numbered by this state or the United
3 States;

4 (4) outside an urban district:

5 (A) 60 miles per hour if the vehicle is a school
6 bus that has passed a commercial motor vehicle inspection under
7 Section 548.201 and is on a highway numbered by the United States or
8 this state, including a farm-to-market road;

9 (B) 50 miles per hour if the vehicle is a school
10 bus that:

11 (i) has not passed a commercial motor
12 vehicle inspection under Section 548.201; or

13 (ii) is traveling on a highway not numbered
14 by the United States or this state; or

15 (C) 60 miles per hour in daytime and 55 miles per
16 hour in nighttime if:

17 (i) the vehicle is a truck, other than a
18 light truck, or if the vehicle is a truck tractor, trailer, or
19 semitrailer; and

20 (ii) the vehicle is on a farm-to-market or
21 ranch-to-market road;

22 (5) on a beach, 15 miles per hour; or

23 (6) on a county road adjacent to a public beach, 15
24 miles per hour, if declared by the commissioners court of the
25 county.

26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.