HOUSE BILL No. 4262

February 20, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Anderson, Paletko, Hopgood, O'Neil, Accavitti, Law, Spade, Minore and Murphy and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled

"Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 627 (MCL 257.627), as amended by 1990 PA 165.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 627. (1) A person driving a vehicle on a highway shall
- 2 drive at a careful and prudent speed not greater than nor less
- 3 than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic,
- 4 surface, and width of the highway and of any other condition then
- 5 existing. A person shall not drive a vehicle upon a highway at a
- 6 speed greater than that which will permit a stop within the
- 7 assured, clear distance ahead.
 - (2) Subject to subsection (1) and except in those instances
- 9 where a lower speed is specified in this chapter, it is prima
 - facie lawful for the driver of a vehicle to drive at a speed not

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- 1 exceeding the following, except when this speed would be unsafe:
- 2 (a) 25 miles an hour on all highways in a business or
- 3 residence district as defined in this act.
- 4 (b) 25 miles an hour in public parks unless a different speed
- 5 is fixed and duly posted.
- 6 (3) It is prima facie unlawful for a person to exceed the
- 7 speed limits prescribed in subsection (2), except as provided in
- 8 section 629.
- **9** (4) The driver of a vehicle in a mobile home park as defined
- 10 in section 2 of the mobile home commission act, Act No. 96 of
- 11 the Public Acts of 1987, being section 125.2302 of the Michigan
- 12 Compiled Laws 1987 PA 96, MCL 125.2302, or on a roadway in the
- 13 common area of a residential condominium development shall drive
- 14 at a careful and prudent speed, not greater than a speed which is
- 15 reasonable and proper, having due regard for the traffic,
- 16 surface, width of the roadway, and all other conditions existing,
- 17 and not greater than a speed which will permit a stop within the
- 18 assured clear distance ahead. It is prima facie unlawful for the
- 19 driver of a vehicle to drive at a speed exceeding 15 miles an
- **20** hour in a mobile home park as defined in section 2 of Act No. 96
- 21 of the Public Acts of 1987 the mobile home commission act, 1987
- 22 PA 96, MCL 125.2302, or on a roadway in the common area of a
- 23 residential condominium development, unless a different speed
- 24 limit is posted on a roadway in the common area of a residential
- 25 condominium development, in which case it is unlawful for the
- 26 driver of a vehicle to drive at a speed that exceeds that posted
- 27 speed limit.

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- 1 (5) A person driving a passenger vehicle drawing another
- 2 vehicle or trailer shall not exceed a speed of 55 miles per hour,
- 3 unless the vehicle or trailer has 2 wheels or less and does not
- 4 exceed the combined weight of 750 pounds for the vehicle or
- 5 trailer and load, or a trailer coach of not more than 26 feet in
- 6 length with brakes on each wheel and attached to the passenger
- 7 vehicle with an equalizing or stabilizing coupling unit.
- 8 (6) A truck with a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or more, a
- 9 truck-tractor with a trailer, or a combination of these vehicles
- 10 shall not exceed a speed of 55 miles per hour on highways,
- 11 streets, or freeways, and shall not exceed a speed of 35 miles
- 12 per hour during the period when reduced loadings are being
- 13 enforced in accordance with this chapter.
- 14 (7) A person driving a school bus shall not exceed the speed
- 15 of 50 miles per hour.
- 16 (8) The maximum rates of speeds allowed pursuant to this
- 17 section are subject to the maximum rate established pursuant to
- **18** section 629b.
- 19 (9) A person operating a vehicle on a highway, when entering
- 20 and passing through a designated work area where a normal lane or
- 21 part of the lane of traffic has been closed due to highway
- 22 construction, maintenance, or surveying activities, shall not
- 23 exceed a speed of 45 miles per hour unless otherwise determined
- 24 and posted by the state transportation department, a county road
- 25 commission, or a local authority. The state transportation
- 26 department, a county road commission, or a local authority shall
- 27 identify on streets and highways under its jurisdiction a

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- 1 designated work area with traffic control devices which are in
- 2 conformance with the Michigan manual of uniform traffic control
- 3 devices. A person shall not exceed a speed limit established
- 4 under this section or a speed limit established pursuant to
- 5 section 628 or 629.
- 6 (10) A person who violates this section is responsible for a
- 7 civil infraction.

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