

SENATE BILL 934

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
relative to speeding violations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(i)

(1) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, except as provided in subdivision (i)(2), on all public highways that are designated as being on the state system of highways or the interstate system of highways:

(A) For the first and second violations of any speed limit established by the department or counties or municipalities on such highways, if the speed at the time of violation was less than seven miles per hour (7 mph) over the speed limit, the violator must only be issued a warning and informed of the penalty for any subsequent violations; and

(B) Third and subsequent violations of any speed limit established by the department or counties or municipalities on such highways are punishable as otherwise provided by law for that violation.

(2) Subdivision (i)(1) does not apply to speeding violations occurring within:

(A) The designated distance of a marked school zone;

(B) One (1) mile of a church or hospital; or

(C) Work zones where the speed limits have been reduced by the department and when employees of the department or construction workers are present.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.