

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0313

Speed limits established by local authorities-amendments.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Schmid, Connolly, Smith, S,
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Pearson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to speed limits; changing the process for
2 counties to decrease maximum speed limits on highways as
3 specified; providing an exception for the department of
4 transportation's approval of alterations on state highways
5 as specified; authorizing the transportation commission to
6 override a board of county commissioners' resolution to
7 decrease maximum speed limits as specified; making
8 conforming amendments; specifying applicability; and
9 providing for an effective date.

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11 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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13 **Section 1.** W.S. 24-2-109 by creating a new subsection
14 (c) and 31-5-303(b), (d) and by creating a new subsection
15 (f) are amended to read:

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2 **24-2-109. Designation of state highways; vesting of**
3 **county interest in state; commission authorized to acquire**
4 **severed portions of land; land to be sold; overriding**
5 **maximum speed limits.**

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7 (c) The commission shall have the authority to
8 override, by a majority vote of the commission, a board of
9 county commissioners' adopted resolution to decrease the
10 maximum speed limit under W.S. 31-5-303(f). The commission
11 may override an adopted resolution not more than sixty (60)
12 days after receipt of the resolution. If the commission
13 takes no action under this subsection within sixty (60)
14 days after receipt of the resolution then the commission
15 waives its ability to override the resolution.

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17 **31-5-303. Establishing maximum speed limits by local**
18 **authorities.**

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20 (b) In compliance with rules promulgated by the
21 department and subsection (f) of this section, local
22 authorities in their respective jurisdictions may determine
23 the proper maximum speed for all streets and highways

1 within their respective corporate jurisdiction which
2 maximum speed is reasonable and safe and which may be
3 greater or less than the maximum speed permitted under this
4 act. The rules promulgated by the department shall adopt
5 standards consistent with national practices.

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7 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f) of
8 this section, any alteration of maximum limits on state
9 highways or extensions thereof in a municipality by local
10 authorities is not effective until the alteration has been
11 approved by the superintendent.

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13 (f) Counties may decrease the maximum speed limit for
14 any streets or highways as defined by W.S.
15 31-5-102(a)(xlix) and state highways as defined by W.S.
16 31-18-101(a)(xvii), that are not interstate highways as
17 defined by W.S. 31-18-801(a)(xvi) within their respective
18 corporate jurisdiction if the board of county commissioners
19 has adopted a resolution to decrease the maximum speed
20 limit. The board of county commissioners shall submit an
21 adopted resolution to decrease the maximum speed limit
22 under this subsection to the commission not more than sixty
23 (60) days after the resolution has been adopted. The

1 maximum speed limit shall not be decreased if the
2 commission overrides the adopted resolution pursuant to
3 W.S. 24-2-109(c).

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5 **Section 2.** This act shall apply to proposed changes
6 to decrease maximum speed limits by the board of county
7 commissioners on and after July 1, 2025.

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9 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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