

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 465

BY REPRESENTATIVE STEVE CARTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

TRAFFIC/SPEED LIMITS: Establishes maximum speed limits for certain motor vehicles on interstate highways

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 32:62, relative to motor vehicle speed limits; to provide maximum speed
3 limits for certain motor vehicles; to require certain motor vehicles maintain a speed
4 limit of ten miles per hour below the posted speed limit on interstate highways; and
5 to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:62 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §62. Maximum speed limit; certain vehicles

9 A. Any person operating a school bus, truck-tractor, trailer, semi-trailer, or
10 any combination of these vehicles on any interstate highway of this state shall
11 maintain a speed of at least ten miles per hour below the posted speed limit.

12 B. The Department of Transportation and Development or its contractors
13 shall erect and maintain appropriate signage providing notice of the maximum speed
14 limit provided by this Section.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the operator of certain motor vehicles drive at least ten miles per hour lower than the posted speed limit on all interstate highways.

Present law prohibits a person from operating a vehicle on any highway of the state in excess of 55 miles per hour unless a lower maximum speed is posted on the highway and provides for exceptions to present law.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a requirement that a person operating a school bus, truck-tractor, trailer, semi-trailer, or any combination of these vehicles drive at least 10 miles per hour lower than the posted speed limit when traveling on any interstate highway.

(Adds R.S. 32:62)