

2015 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 92

BY SENATOR JOHN SMITH

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

ROADS/HIGHWAYS. Declares 65 miles per hour speed limit on portions of LA 12 and LA 27. (8/1/15)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:63(D) and (E) to declare speed zones on certain state highways; to declare a maximum speed limit on Louisiana Highway 12 between the city of DeQuincy and the town of Vinton; to declare a maximum speed limit on Louisiana Highway 27 between the city of DeRidder and the city of DeQuincy and between the city of DeQuincy and the city of Sulphur; to provide for signs; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:63(D) and (E) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§63. Establishing of speed zones

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D. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a maximum speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour shall be declared on Louisiana Highway 12 between the city of DeQuincy and the town of Vinton. The department shall erect appropriate signs giving notice thereof.

E. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a maximum speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour shall be declared on Louisiana Highway 27 between

1 the city of DeRidder and the city of DeQuincy and between the city of DeQuincy
2 and the city of Sulphur. The department shall erect appropriate signs giving
3 notice thereof.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 32:61) establishes a maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour on any highway of this state, unless a lower maximum speed is posted, except as follows:

- (1) 70 miles per hour on any interstate or controlled access highway.
- (2) 65 miles per hour on any multi-lane divided highway that has partial or no control of access.
- (3) In excess of any maximum speed within a speed zone established by the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) pursuant to R.S. 32:63(C).

Present law (R.S. 32:63) authorizes DOTD with an engineering and traffic investigation to establish maximum speed limits on any highway of this state greater or less than the maximum speed limits established in present law.

Proposed law declares a speed limit of 65 miles per hour on LA 12 between the city of DeQuincy and the town of Vinton.

Proposed law declares a speed limit of 65 miles per hour on LA 27 between the city of DeRidder and the city of DeQuincy and between the city of DeQuincy and the city of Sulphur.

Proposed law requires DOTD to erect appropriate signs giving notice of the 65 miles per hour speed limit on LA 12 and LA 27.

Effective August 1, 2015.

(Adds R.S. 32:63(D) and (E))