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SENATE DRS75253-ML-125A (3/13)

Short Title:	Allow DOT to set Max. Speed of 75 MPH.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Hunt, Rabon, and Harrington (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2   AN ACT TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INCREASE THE
3   SPEED LIMIT ON CERTAIN INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS TO A MAXIMUM OF
4   SEVENTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR.
5   The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6   **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-141(d)(2) reads as rewritten:
7   "(d)   (1)   Whenever the Department of Transportation determines on the basis of an
8   engineering and traffic investigation that any speed allowed by subsection
9   (b) is greater than is reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist
10   upon any part of a highway outside the corporate limits of a municipality or
11   upon any part of a highway designated as part of the Interstate Highway
12   System or any part of a controlled-access highway (either inside or outside
13   the corporate limits of a municipality), the Department of Transportation
14   shall determine and declare a reasonable and safe speed limit.
15   (2)   Whenever the Department of Transportation determines on the basis of an
16   engineering and traffic investigation that a higher maximum speed than
17   those set forth in subsection (b) is reasonable and safe under the conditions
18   found to exist upon any part of a highway designated as part of the Interstate
19   Highway System or any part of a controlled-access highway (either inside or
20   outside the corporate limits of a municipality) the Department of
21   Transportation shall determine and declare a reasonable and safe speed limit.
22   A speed limit set pursuant to this subsection may not exceed ~~70~~75 miles per
23   hour.
24   Speed limits set pursuant to this subsection are not effective until appropriate signs giving
25   notice thereof are erected upon the parts of the highway affected."
26   **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.