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SENATE BILL DRS15269-MW-51

Short Title: Reduce Speed in Residential Subdivisions. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Gallimore and T. Alexander (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT FOR STATE-MAINTAINED ROADS LOCATED
3 WITHIN A RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-141 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 "(b1) Speed restrictions for State-maintained roads one mile or less in length and located
7 within a residential subdivision, as that term is defined in G.S. 153A-335, shall be as follows:

8 (1) No person shall operate a vehicle in excess of 25 miles per hour.

9 (2) The speed allowed by subdivision (1) of this section may be increased if: (i)
10 two-thirds of the owners of the real property in the subdivision make a request
11 to the Department of Transportation by signed petition, and (ii) the
12 Department determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation
13 that a higher maximum speed is reasonable and safe under the conditions
14 found to exist.

15 (3) The speed allowed by subdivision (1) of this section may be decreased if the
16 Department determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation
17 that the speed allowed is greater than is reasonable and safe under the
18 conditions found to exist."

19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2019, and applies to offenses
20 committed on or after that date.

