CHAPTER 203

SPEED LIMITS IN CITIES

H. F. 35

AN ACT relating to speed limits for motor vehicles in cities.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred ninety (321.290), Code 1962, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new paragraph:

3 following new paragraph: "Whenever the city engineer or city traffic engineer in any city of fifty thousand or more population shall determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that any speed limit hereinbefore set forth is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the conditions found to exist at any intersection or other place or upon any part of the city street system, except primary road extensions, such determination and the investigation report upon which it is based may 10 be transmitted by resolution of the city council to the state highway 11 commission. If upon examination of the investigation report the com-12 13 mission concurs in such determination it shall declare a reasonable and safe speed limit thereat which shall be effective when appropriate signs 14 15 giving notice thereof are erected at such intersection or other place or part of the street."

Approved April 23, 1963.

CHAPTER 204

SPEED LIMITS ON BRIDGES

H. F. 205

AN ACT to fix speed limits for motor vehicles on bridges or elevated structures where not sign-posted as provided by law, and to repeal section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred ninety-five (321.295), Code 1962, and to enact a substitute therefor.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred ninety-five (321.295), Code 1962, is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:

No person shall drive a vehicle on any public bridge or elevated structure at a speed which is greater than the maximum speed permitted under this chapter on the street or highway at a point where said street or highway joins said bridge or elevated structure, provided that if the maximum speed permitted on said street or highway differs from the maximum speed on any other street or highway joining said bridge or elevated structure, then the lowest of said speeds shall be the maximum speed limit on said bridge or elevated structure, subject to the following:

13 "The state highway commission upon request from any local au-

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thority shall, or upon its own initiative may, conduct an investigation 15 of any bridge or other elevated structure constituting a part of a 16 highway, and if it shall thereupon find that such structure cannot with 17 safety to itself withstand vehicles traveling at the speed otherwise 18 permissible under this chapter, the commission shall determine and declare the maximum speed of vehicles which such structure can 19 20 withstand, and shall cause or permit suitable signs stating such maxi-21 mum speed to be erected and maintained at a distance of two hundred 22 feet before each end of such structure.

"No person shall drive a vehicle over any bridge or other elevated structure constituting a part of a highway at a speed which is greater than the maximum speed which can be maintained with safety to such bridge or structure, when such structure is sign-posted as pro-

27 vided in this section.

"Upon the trial of any person charged with driving a vehicle at a speed which is greater than the maximum speed which can be maintained with safety to such bridge or structure, proof of such determination of the maximum speed by said commission and the existence of said signs shall constitute conclusive evidence of the maximum speed which can be maintained with safety to such bridge or structure."

- SEC. 2. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force and effect immediately after its passage and publication in The Mount Vernon Hawkeye-Record & The Lisbon Herald, a newspaper published at Mount Vernon, Iowa, and in The Sentinel, a newspaper published at Marion, Iowa.

Approved May 20, 1963.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 205, was published in The Mount Vernon Hawkeye-Record & The Lisbon Herald, Mount Vernon, Iowa, May 30, 1963, and in The Sentinel, Marion, Iowa, May 29, 1963.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 205

OVERALL LENGTH OF COMBINATIONS OF VEHICLES

S. F. 275

AN ACT relating to the overall length of combinations of vehicles.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-seven (321.457), Code 1962, is hereby amended by striking the word, "No" in line one (1) of subsection three (3) and by inserting in lieu thereof the words, "Except as to combinations of vehicles, provi-
- 5 sions for which are otherwise made in this chapter, no".
- 1 SEC. 2. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred fifty-2 seven (321.457), Code 1962, is further amended by striking the words,