

CHAPTER 1191**SPEED LIMITS - CONSTRUCTION AREA SAFETY STUDY***S.F. 2140*

AN ACT increasing the speed limit on certain highways, requiring a report on safety in construction zones, and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 321.285, subsection 6, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:

6. Notwithstanding any other speed restrictions, the speed limit for all vehicular traffic on fully controlled-access, divided, multilaned highways including the national system of interstate highways ~~designated by the federal highway administration and this state (23 U.S.C. § 103 (e))~~ is sixty-five miles per hour. The department may establish a speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour on certain divided, multilaned highways. However, the department or cities with the approval of the department may establish a lower speed limit upon such highways located within the corporate limits of a city. For the purposes of this subsection a fully controlled-access highway is a highway that gives preference to through traffic by providing access connections with selected public roads only and by prohibiting crossings at grade or direct private driveway connections. A minimum speed of forty miles per hour, road conditions permitting, is established on the highways referred to in this subsection.

It is further provided that any kind of vehicle, implement, or conveyance incapable of attaining and maintaining a speed of forty miles per hour shall be prohibited from using the interstate system.

Sec. 2. **CONSTRUCTION AREA SAFETY STUDY.** The state department of transportation and the department of public safety shall study and prepare a joint report relating to vehicle speed management, enhanced speed limit enforcement, and work zone safety in construction areas. The departments shall confer with representatives of the private sector construction industry to develop guidelines to promote motorist and construction worker safety. The departments shall file the joint report with the general assembly by January 1, 1997.

Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This bill being deemed of immediate importance is effective upon enactment.

Approved May 16, 1996

CHAPTER 1192**ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM***S.F. 454*

AN ACT relating to the establishment of an assisted living program within the department of elder affairs, providing for implementation, and providing penalties.

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

Section 1. **NEW SECTION. 231C.1 FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

1. The general assembly finds that assisted living is an important part of the long-term care system in this state. Assisted living emphasizes the independence and dignity of the individual while providing services in a cost-effective manner.