

January 30, 1959.
Highway Safety.

House File 201
By DIETZ.

Passed House, Date..... Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays..... Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved.....

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to the minimum speed of motor vehicles.

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

1 Section 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point two
2 hundred ninety-four (321.294), Code 1958, is hereby amended
3 by inserting after the word "law." in line six (6) the follow-
4 ing:
5 "Whenever the state highway commission shall determine on
6 the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that slow
7 speeds on any part of the primary road system and extensions of
8 primary roads in cities and towns consistently impede the normal
9 and reasonable movement of traffic, the highway commission may
10 determine and declare a minimum speed limit below while no person
11 shall drive a vehicle except when necessary for safe operation
12 or in compliance with law."

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 201

This bill provides a means by which a definite fixed minimum speed limit may be established on interstate highways, primary roads and extensions of primary roads constructed for fast-moving traffic. The matter of determining exactly the rate of speed to establish as a minimum should rest with traffic engineers under the state highway commission.

The bill is consistent with the Uniform Motor Vehicle Code and provides authority now needed for traffic regulation on new interstate highways.

