

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 393

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5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING TRUCK SPEED LIMIT LAWS; RAISING THE SPEED
6 LIMIT FOR TRUCKS ON FEDERAL-AID INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS TO 70 MILES AN HOUR AT ALL TIMES;
7 RAISING THE SPEED LIMIT FOR TRUCKS ON OTHER PUBLIC HIGHWAYS TO 65 MILES AN HOUR AT ALL
8 TIMES; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-312, MCA."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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12 **Section 1.** Section 61-8-312, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"61-8-312. Special speed limitations on trucks, truck tractors, and motor-driven cycles.** (1) Except
14 as provided in 61-8-303, 61-8-309, 61-8-310, and subsection (2) of this section, the speed limit for a truck or truck
15 tractor of more than 1 ton "manufacturer's rated capacity" traveling on:

16 (a) a federal-aid interstate highway is ~~65~~ 70 miles an hour; and

17 (b) any other public highway is ~~60~~ 65 miles an hour ~~during the daytime and 55 miles an hour during the~~
18 ~~nighttime as those terms are defined in 61-8-303.~~

19 (2) Except as provided in 61-8-303, 61-8-309, and 61-8-310, the speed limit for a vehicle subject to a
20 term permit under 61-10-124(2)(d) or a truck-trailer-trailer or truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer-trailer combination
21 of vehicles subject to special permits under 61-10-124(4) is 65 miles an hour unless otherwise stated in the
22 permit.

23 (3) A person may not operate a motor-driven cycle at any time mentioned in 61-9-201 at a speed greater
24 than 35 miles an hour unless the motor-driven cycle is equipped with a headlamp or lamps that are adequate to
25 reveal a person or vehicle at a distance of 300 feet ahead."

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