

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 900
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 6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING SPEED LIMIT LAWS; INCREASING DAYTIME AND
 7 NIGHTTIME SPEED LIMITS ON SECONDARY HIGHWAYS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPANDED TO FOUR
 8 LANES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AMENDING SECTION 61-8-303, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN
 9 EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

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 13 **Section 1.** Section 61-8-303, MCA, is amended to read:

14 **"61-8-303. Speed restrictions.** (1) Except as provided in 61-8-309, 61-8-310, and 61-8-312, the
 15 speed limit for vehicles traveling:

16 (a) on an interstate highway outside an urbanized area of 50,000 population or more is 80 miles an
 17 hour at all times and the speed limit for vehicles traveling on interstate highways within an urbanized area of
 18 50,000 population or more is 65 miles an hour at all times;

19 (b) on any portion of a secondary highway that has been expanded to four lanes and that is at
 20 least 15 miles long is 75 miles an hour during the daytime and 70 miles an hour during the nighttime;

21 ~~(b)(c)~~ on any other public highway of this state is 70 miles an hour during the daytime and 65 miles
 22 an hour during the nighttime;

23 ~~(c)(d)~~ in an urban district is 25 miles an hour.

24 (2) A vehicle subject to the speed limits imposed in subsection (1) may exceed the speed limits
 25 imposed in subsection (1) by 10 miles an hour in order to overtake and pass a vehicle and return safely to the
 26 right-hand lane under the following circumstances:

27 (a) while traveling on a two-lane road; and

28 (b) in a designated passing zone.

