

1 **H. B. 2472**

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3 (By Delegates Staggers, Perry, Moore, Moye, Shott,
4 O'Neal, Phillips, L., Arvon, Ellington, Pino and Gearheart)

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6 [Introduced February 15, 2013; referred to the
7 Committee on Roads and Transportation then the
8 Judiciary.]
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10 A BILL to amend and reenact §17C-6-2 of the Code of West Virginia,
11 1931, as amended, relating to increasing the speed limit from
12 60 mph to 70 mph on a specific section of I-77 West Virginia
13 Turnpike, between the Chelyan exit, exit 85 in Kanawha County,
14 and the Mossy exit, exit 60 in Fayette County.

15 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

16 That §17C-6-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
17 be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

18 **ARTICLE 6. SPEED RESTRICTIONS.**

19 **§17C-6-2. Establishment of state speed zones.**

20 Whenever the ~~state road commissioner shall determine upon~~
21 Commissioner of Highways determines, on the basis of an engineering
22 and traffic investigation, that ~~any a~~ speed limit ~~set forth~~ in this
23 article is greater or less than is reasonable or safe under the
24 conditions ~~found to exist at any~~ at an intersection or other place
25 or ~~upon any~~ on a part of a highway, ~~said the~~ the commissioner may

1 determine and declare a reasonable and safe speed limit ~~thereat~~
2 which shall be effective at all times or during hours of daylight
3 or darkness or at such other times ~~as may be determined.~~ when as
4 determined. Appropriate signs giving notice ~~thereof are erected at~~
5 such shall be erected at the intersection or other place or part of
6 the highway at which time the change in speed limit is effective.

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, the speed
8 limit on the section of I-77, also known as the West Virginia
9 Turnpike, between the Chelyan exit, exit 85 in Kanawha County, and
10 the Mossy exit, exit 60 in Fayette County, is 70 mph. This speed
11 limit does not apply in a construction zone, to trucks which are
12 otherwise limited or on the stretches of road immediately preceding
13 the toll plaza.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to increase the speed limit from 60 mph to 70 mph on the West Virginia Turnpike between the Chelyan exit, exit 85 in Kanawha County, and the Mossy exit, exit 60 in Fayette County.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.