State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1008

Introduced by: The Committee on Transportation at the request of the Department of Transportation

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions that authorize the secretary of
- 2 transportation to provide for temporary variable speed limits on state highways in the
- 3 interests of highway safety due to varying weather, road work, and other conditions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That § 32-25-19.1 be amended to read:
- 6 32-25-19.1. Notwithstanding § 32-25-7 or chapter 1-26, the secretary of transportation may
- 7 establish limited speed zones through highway work areas on the state trunk highways and on
- 8 any segment of the interstate highway system based on monitored traffic, weather, or road
- 9 <u>surface conditions</u> if the secretary of public safety and the secretary of transportation, after
- 10 consultation with the director of the highway patrol, agree the limited speed zones are necessary
- for the protection of life and property. <u>Differing speed limits may be established for different</u>
- times of day, different types of vehicles, varying weather conditions, and any other factor that
- has a bearing on a safe speed. A limited speed zone is effective when it is conspicuously posted
- on appropriate fixed or variable signs. The beginning and end of the immediate work area in
- each limited speed zone established under this section shall be conspicuously posted with signs

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- showing the maximum speed permissible. The location and duration of this posting shall be
- 2 filed with the secretary of transportation. A violation of the speed limit established under the
- 3 provisions of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. Any fine for a violation of this section
- 4 while workers are present shall be double the usual fine for speeding but may not exceed the
- 5 maximum fine for a Class 2 misdemeanor as provided by § 22-6-2. Signs showing that such a
- 6 fine will be double the usual speeding fine shall be erected in advance of the regulatory speed
- 7 limit signs.