

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0170

Eighty mile per hour-variable speed limit.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Baker

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to speed limits; requiring variable speed
2 limits as specified; requiring variable electronic speed
3 limit signs on interstate highways as specified; and
4 providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-5-302 is amended to read:

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10 **31-5-302. Establishment of specific maximum speed**
11 **limits by superintendent.**

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13 (a) Whenever the superintendent determines upon the
14 basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, or in
15 the event of a vehicle or weather emergency, that a maximum
16 speed greater or less than that authorized herein is safe

1 and reasonable under the conditions found to exist at any
2 intersection or other place or upon any part of the state
3 highway system, the superintendent, except as provided for
4 in W.S. 31-5-303(b), may determine and declare a reasonable
5 and safe maximum limit thereat, which shall be effective
6 when appropriate signs giving notice thereof are erected
7 and which shall not exceed eighty (80) miles per hour on
8 interstate highways. Except as otherwise provided in
9 subsection (b) of this section, the maximum speed limit may
10 be declared to be effective at all times or at such times
11 as are indicated upon the signs and differing limits may be
12 established for different times of day, different types of
13 vehicles, varying weather conditions, and other factors
14 bearing on safe speeds, which shall be effective when
15 posted upon appropriate fixed or variable signs. This
16 section does not grant power to the superintendent to
17 declare statewide or countywide maximum speed limits but
18 grants power to declare maximum speed limits for the public
19 safety in localized geographic areas.

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21 (b) Whenever the superintendent designates a maximum
22 speed limit of eighty (80) miles per hour on an interstate
23 highway, the maximum speed limit shall be indicated upon

1 variable electronic signs and different limits shall be
2 established as determined necessary by the superintendent
3 for different times of day, different types of vehicles,
4 varying weather conditions and other factors bearing on
5 safe speeds, which shall be effective when posted upon
6 electronic variable signs.

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8 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2015.

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