

CHAPTER NO. 252

SENATE BILL NO. 1296

By Harper

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1523

By Odom

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152, relative to speed limits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152(d)(2), is amended in the first sentence by adding the language "and counties of not less than four hundred seventy-seven thousand eight hundred (477,800) nor more than four hundred seventy-seven thousand nine hundred (477,900)" after the language "nor more than one hundred and forty-five thousand (145,000)" and before the language "according to the 1980 federal census or any subsequent federal census".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(h) Notwithstanding any provision of law or regulation to the contrary, only the Department of Transportation has the authority to set speed limits on access-controlled roadways designated as being on the state system of highways and on roadways designated as being on the state system of interstate highways.

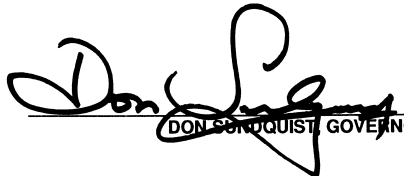
SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 14, 2001

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2001

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR