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## 1 SENATE BILL 824 48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007 2 3 INTRODUCED BY 4 Michael S. Sanchez 6 7 8 9 10 AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE SPEED 11 12 LIMIT OF FIFTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR. 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: 14 Section 66-7-301 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978, 15 Section 1. Chapter 35, Section 405, as amended) is amended to read: 16 "66-7-301. SPEED REGULATION. - -17 No person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at 18 a speed greater than: 19 fifteen miles per hour on all highways 20 when passing a school while children are going to or leaving 21 school and when the school zone is properly posted; 22 **(2)** thirty miles per hour in a business or 23 residence district: 24 [seventy-five] fifty-five miles per hour; **(3)** 25

and

(4) the posted speed limit in construction zones posted as double fine zones or other safety zones posted as double fine zones as designated by the [highway and transportation] department of transportation, provided that the posted speed limit shall be determined by an engineering study performed by the [state highway and transportation] department

## of transportation.

- B. In every event, speed shall be so controlled by the driver as may be necessary:
- (1) to avoid colliding with a person, vehicle or other conveyance on or entering the highway;
- (2) to comply with legal requirements as may be established by the [state highway and transportation] department of transportation or the New Mexico state police division of the department of public safety and the duty of all persons to use due care; and
- (3) to protect workers in construction zones posted as double fine zones or other safety zones posted as double fine zones as designated by the [highway and transportation] department of transportation.
- C. The speed limits set forth in Subsection A of this section may be altered as authorized in Section 66-7-303

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