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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to moving traffic violations in school districts
2 and increasing fines.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321.285, subsections 2 and 3, Code
2 2001, are amended to read as follows:

3 2. Twenty-five miles per hour in any residence or school
4 district. Each school district, as defined in section 321.1,
5 shall be marked by distinctive signs as provided by the
6 current manual of uniform traffic control devices adopted by
7 the department and placed on the road at the limits of the
8 school district. Each sign shall inform motorists that the
9 scheduled fine for committing a moving traffic violation in a
10 school district is doubled.

11 3. Forty-five miles per hour in any suburban district.
12 ~~Each school district as defined in subsection 70 of section~~
13 ~~321.1 shall be marked by distinctive signs as provided by the~~
14 ~~current manual of uniform traffic control devices adopted by~~
15 ~~the department and placed on the highway at the limits of such~~
16 ~~school district.~~

17 Sec. 2. Section 805.8, subsection 2A, Code 2001, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 2A. MOVING TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS -- ROAD WORK ZONES AND
20 SCHOOL DISTRICTS. The scheduled fine for any moving traffic
21 violations under chapter 321 as provided in this section shall
22 be doubled if the violation occurs within any road work zone
23 or school district, as defined in section 321.1.

24 Sec. 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection
25 3, shall not apply to this Act.

26 EXPLANATION

27 This bill provides that the scheduled fine for any moving
28 traffic violation shall be doubled if the violation occurs
29 within any school district, as defined in Code section 321.1.
30 Code section 321.1 defines a school district as the territory
31 contiguous to and including a highway for a distance of 200
32 feet in either direction from a schoolhouse in a city. The
33 bill requires that the signs marking the limits of a school
34 district inform motorists of such doubling of fines.

35 The bill also moves a provision relating to the posting of

1 the school district signs from one place in Code section
2 321.285 to another place in that Code section relating to the
3 speed limit in school districts. The governmental entity
4 having jurisdiction over the road is responsible for posting
5 the signs.

6 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code
7 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section
8 25B.2, subsection 3, which would relieve a political
9 subdivision from complying with a state mandate if funding for
10 the cost of the state mandate is not provided or specified.
11 Therefore, political subdivisions are required to comply with
12 any state mandate included in the bill.

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