

Article - Transportation
Section 21-803
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

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(a) (1) If, on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, a local authority determines that any maximum speed limit specified in this subtitle is greater or less than reasonable or safe under existing conditions on any part of a highway in its jurisdiction, it may establish a reasonable and safe maximum speed limit for that part of the highway, which may:

(i) Decrease the limit at an intersection;

(ii) Increase the limit in an urban district to not more than 50 miles an hour;

(iii) Decrease the limit in an urban district; or

(iv) Decrease the limit outside an urban district to not less than 25 miles an hour.

(2) An engineering and traffic investigation is not required to conform a posted maximum speed limit in effect on December 31, 1974, to a different limit specified in § 21-801.1(b) of this subtitle.

(b) In school zones designated and posted by the local authorities of Montgomery OR PRINCE GEORGE'S [County] COUNTIES[, the]:

(1) THE county may decrease the maximum speed limit to 15 miles per hour during school hours; AND

(2) ANY MUNICIPALITY WITHIN EACH COUNTY MAY DECREASE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT IN A SCHOOL ZONE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY TO 15 MILES PER HOUR DURING SCHOOL HOURS.

(c) An altered maximum speed limit established under this section is effective when posted on appropriate signs giving notice of the limit.