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By: **Harford County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 1998

Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford County - Highway Work Zones - Speed Limits**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Harford County Department of Public Works to  
4 reduce speed limits in certain areas under certain circumstances; and generally  
5 relating to speed limits in highway work zones.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article - Transportation  
8 Section 21-802.1  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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12 Article - Transportation  
13 Section 27-101(m)  
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16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article - Transportation**

19 21-802.1.

20 (a) In this section, "highway work zone" means a construction or maintenance  
21 area on or alongside a highway that is marked by appropriate warning signs or other  
22 traffic control devices designating that work is in progress.

23 (b) The State Highway Administration OR, FOR HIGHWAYS UNDER ITS  
24 JURISDICTION, THE HARFORD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, may reduce  
25 established speed limits in a highway work zone upon a determination that the  
26 change is necessary to ensure the public safety.

1 (c) A speed limit established under this section shall become effective when  
2 posted.

3 27-101.

4 (m) Any person who is convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of §  
5 21-802.1 of this article (Exceeding speed limit within highway work zone) is subject  
6 to a fine of not more than \$1,000.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 October 1, 1998.