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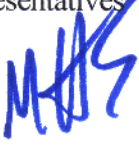


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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the House of Representatives

FROM: Representative Matthew Smith 

DATE: January 5, 2010

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation to Allow Municipalities to Set Speed Limits

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In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation which will enable municipalities to alter or set speed limits on local roads and state roads within their respective boundaries without the approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT). Currently, if a municipality wishes to have a speed limit changed on a road within their borders, they must first petition PennDOT to conduct an engineering and traffic investigation, who then approves or denies the requested change.

My legislation would allow local authorities to take action through ordinance of the local governing body and change speed limits, within the legal maximum parameters established in Title 75 (Vehicles), Section 3362 (a), of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, on roadways and state roads within their jurisdiction and without having prior approval from PennDOT. Furthermore, these local authorities will be prohibited from altering speed limits on any freeways or interstate highways within their physical boundaries.

If you wish to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dan Green at 717-783-1850, or by email at [DGreen@pahouse.net](mailto:DGreen@pahouse.net).