

**Subject** Speed limits in residential areas

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## Overview

This bill broadens local government authority to lower the speed limit on some roads. It expands the definition of “residential roadway” in the chapter on traffic regulations to include a city street or town road that is not a collector or arterial street in an area zoned exclusively for housing. This has the effect of allowing cities and towns to adopt a speed limit of 25 miles per hour on residential roadways without a traffic engineering study and approval by MnDOT. The permitted reduction is from the statutory defaults (including 30 mph in urban districts).