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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to amend
2 section 60-680, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to
3 authorize local authorities to prohibit the use of engine
4 brakes as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 60-680, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3 60-680. (1) Any local authority with respect to highways
4 under its jurisdiction and within the reasonable exercise of the
5 police power may:

6 (a) Regulate or prohibit stopping, standing, or parking;

7 (b) Regulate traffic by means of peace officers or
8 traffic control devices;

9 (c) Regulate or prohibit processions or assemblages on
10 the highways;

11 (d) Designate highways or roadways for use by traffic
12 moving in one direction;

13 (e) Establish speed limits for vehicles in public parks;

14 (f) Designate any highway as a through highway or
15 designate any intersection as a stop or yield intersection;

16 (g) Restrict the use of highways as authorized in section
17 60-681;

18 (h) Regulate operation of bicycles and require
19 registration and inspection of such, including requirement of a
20 registration fee;

21 (i) Regulate or prohibit the turning of vehicles or
22 specified types of vehicles;

23 (j) Alter or establish speed limits authorized in the
24 Nebraska Rules of the Road;

25 (k) Designate no-passing zones;

26 (l) Prohibit or regulate use of controlled-access
27 highways by any class or kind of traffic except those highways
28 which are a part of the state highway system;

1 (m) Prohibit or regulate use of heavily traveled highways
2 by any class or kind of traffic it finds to be incompatible with
3 the normal and safe movement of traffic, except that such
4 regulations shall not be effective on any highway which is part of
5 the state highway system unless authorized by the Department of
6 Roads;

7 (n) Establish minimum speed limits as authorized in the
8 rules;

9 (o) Designate hazardous railroad grade crossings as
10 authorized in the rules;

11 (p) Designate and regulate traffic on play streets;

12 (q) Prohibit pedestrians from crossing a roadway in a
13 business district or any designated highway except in a crosswalk
14 as authorized in the rules;

15 (r) Restrict pedestrian crossings at unmarked crosswalks
16 as authorized in the rules;

17 (s) Regulate persons propelling push carts;

18 (t) Regulate persons upon skates, coasters, sleds, and
19 other toy vehicles;

20 (u) Adopt and enforce an ordinance prohibiting the use of
21 engine brakes on any highway or on the National System of
22 Interstate and Defense Highways that has a grade of less than five
23 degrees within its jurisdiction. For purposes of this subdivision,
24 engine brake means a device that converts a power producing engine
25 into a power-absorbing air compressor, resulting in a net energy
26 loss;

27 (v) Adopt and enforce such temporary or experimental
28 regulations as may be necessary to cover emergencies or special

1 conditions; and

2 (w) ~~(v)~~ Adopt other traffic regulations except as
3 prohibited by state law or contrary to state law.

4 (2) No local authority, except an incorporated city with
5 more than forty thousand inhabitants, shall erect or maintain any
6 traffic control device at any location so as to require the traffic
7 on any state highway or state-maintained freeway to stop before
8 entering or crossing any intersecting highway unless approval in
9 writing has first been obtained from the Department of Roads.

10 (3) No ordinance or regulation enacted under subdivision
11 (1)(d), (e), (f), (g), (i), (j), (k), (l), (m), (o), (p), or (r) of
12 this section shall be effective until traffic control devices
13 giving notice of such local traffic regulations are erected upon or
14 at the entrances to such affected highway or part thereof affected
15 as may be most appropriate.

16 Sec. 2. Original section 60-680, Reissue Revised
17 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.