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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 552 (Transportation)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION  
5 A BILL  
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to setting speed limits and neigh-  
7 borhood speed zones."  
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:  
9 \* Section 1. AS 19.10.070 is amended to read:  
10 Sec. 19.10.070. DETERMINATION OF SAFE SPEED LIMITS. The de-  
11 partment may conduct investigations with the assistance of the Depart-  
12 ment of Public Safety and shall determine safe speed limits and safe  
13 speed zones on highways and arterial roadways under its jurisdiction.  
14 \* Sec. 2. AS 19.10 is amended by adding a new section to read:  
15 Sec. 19.10.072. NEIGHBORHOOD SPEED ZONES AND LOCAL HEARING  
16 PROCESS. (a) In determining safe speed limits and safe speed zones,  
17 the department shall consider the following factors in the order of  
18 priority listed:  
19 (1) neighborhood safety, including the presence of children  
20 and pedestrian traffic;  
21 (2) the presence of schools, houses, parks, and crosswalks;  
22 (3) the presence of driveways, parked vehicles, and multi-  
23 ple turn locations;  
24 (4) that speed at which safe and prudent drivers could pass  
25 through the speed zone; and  
26 (5) the effectiveness of local enforcement of the speed  
27 zone.  
28 (b) In determining safe speed limits and safe speed zones within  
29 a municipality the department shall consult with that municipality.

1 In determining safe speed limits and safe speed zones on highways and  
2 arterial roadways under its jurisdiction the department shall also  
3 consult with community councils or other neighborhood organizations in  
4 the affected area, if the community councils or other neighborhood  
5 organizations request in writing to participate in the determination.  
6 The department shall provide notice and opportunity for a hearing  
7 before establishing a speed limit or speed zone other than as recom-  
8 mended by a municipality, community council or other neighborhood  
9 organization.