

Fiscal Analysis

MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE – WORK ZONE DEFINED



Bill/Sponsor **HOUSE BILL 5089 As Introduced**, Rep. Daniel J. Acciavatti

House Committee Transportation

Analysis

Summary

House Bill 5089 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code (PA 300 of 1949) by adding new section 79d to provide a definition of “work zone” as “*an area of a street or highway in which construction, maintenance, or utility work activities are being conducted. A work zone includes the area between the first sign indicating a work area or traffic control device and an ‘end road work’ sign.*” This definition conforms to the definition of work zone in Section 6C.02 of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Section 627 of the Michigan Vehicle Code (MCL 257.627) sets standards for speed limits. Under current law, subsection (9) of Section 627 sets a presumptive speed limit of 45 miles per hour for highway areas where “*a normal lane or part of a lane of traffic has been closed due to highway construction, maintenance, or survey work.*” The bill would change the description of the area governed by this subsection to “work zone.”

Note that the bill, as introduced, does not amend the definition of “construction zone” in Section 601b of the Michigan Vehicle Code, which refers to Section 627.

Fiscal Impact

The bill has no apparent material impact on state or local costs or revenues.

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