

RESOLUTION NO. 26-042

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLARING INTENT TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS OF 20 MILES PER HOUR AT SELECTED SCHOOL ZONES BETWEEN NOW AND JANUARY 1, 2031, PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 382 (COUNTYWIDE)

WHEREAS Assembly Bill (AB) 382 amends Division 11 - RULES OF THE ROAD, Chapter 7 - Speed Laws, Article 1 – Generally - Section § 22352.5(a), (b) of the California Vehicle Code to read as follows:

§ 22352.5. (a) Notwithstanding Section 22352, a local authority may, by ordinance or resolution, determine and declare a prima facie speed limit of 20 miles per hour in a school zone.

(b) For purposes of this section, “school zone” has the same meaning as defined in Section 22352.

(c) This section shall remain in effect until January 1, 2031, and as of that date is repealed.

(Added by Stats. 2025, Ch. 555, Sec. 3. (AB 382) Effective January 1, 2026. Repealed as of January 1, 2031, by its own provisions.)

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill (AB) 382 will establish all school zone speed limits in California to be 20 miles per hour (mph) on January 1, 2031; and

WHEREAS, Section 15.04.040 – (Speed Limit Changes) of the Mendocino County Code, in part empowers the Road Commissioner to advance speed limit change requests based on merit; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Department of Transportation (DOT) recommends that any AB 382 early reductions in school zone speed limits to 20 mph by January 1, 2031 be authorized by determination of the Road Commissioner based on meritorious request or maintenance efficiency.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors:

- 1 Directs DOT, upon determination by the Road Commissioner by meritorious request or maintenance efficiency, to erect, place, and maintain the appropriate traffic marking and control devices necessary to indicate and establish said 20 mph school zone speed limit changes January 1, 2031.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Cline, and carried this 10th day of March, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Cline, Mulheren, Haschak, Norvell, and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST: DARCIE ANTLE
Clerk of the Board

BERNIE NORVELL, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

Deputy

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT
Interim County Counsel

BY: DARCIE ANTLE
Clerk of the Board

Deputy