

Bill as Introduced

SB 267 - AS INTRODUCED

2012 SESSION

12-3001
06/09

SENATE BILL

267

AN ACT relative to the establishment of school zones and school zone speed limits by municipalities.

SPONSORS: Sen. Houde, Dist 5; Rep. White, Graf 11; Rep. Harding, Graf 11; Rep. Almy, Graf 11

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill permits local authorities to decrease the speed limit in an area near a school that has not been approved as a school zone by the department of transportation.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve

AN ACT relative to the establishment of school zones and school zone speed limits by municipalities.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Subparagraph; Alteration of Limits; Schools. Amend RSA 265:63, I by inserting after
2 subparagraph (d) the following new subparagraph:

3 (e) Decreases the limit to a speed of 10 miles per hour below the usual posted limit from
4 45 minutes prior to each school opening until each school opening and from each school closing until
5 45 minutes after each school closing in the vicinity of a school that failed, for lack of a pedestrian
6 presence, to receive school zone approval from the department of transportation.

7 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Committee Minutes

AMENDED
SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE
EDUCATION

Printed: 02/15/2012 at 1:19 pm

Senator Nancy Stiles Chairman
Senator James Forsythe V Chairman
Senator Sharon Carson
Senator Molly Kelly
Senator Russell Prescott

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Date: February 15, 2012

HEARINGS

Tuesday

2/21/2012

EDUCATION

LOB 103

1:00 PM

(Name of Committee)

(Place)

(Time)

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

Comments: This has been amended to add HB1488 and SB267.

1:00 PM	HB1488	relative to the alternative budget procedure in a school administrative unit.
1:15 PM	SB267	relative to the establishment of school zones and school zone speed limits by municipalities.
1:30 PM	SB383-FN-L	revising the distribution of school building aid grants.

Sponsors:

HB1488

Rep. James Belanger
Sen. Jim Luther

Rep. Richard Drisko
Sen. Nancy Stiles

Rep. Jack Flanagan

Rep. Carolyn Gargas

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Sen. Matthew Houde

Rep. Andrew White

Rep. Laurie Harding

Rep. Susan Almy

SB383-FN-L

Sen. Nancy Stiles
Rep. Barbara Shaw

Sen. Chuck Morse
Rep. Kenneth Weyler

Sen. James Forsythe
Rep. William Smith

Rep. Rick Ladd
Sen. Gary Lambert

Michael Ciccio 271-3093

Sen. Nancy Stiles

Chairman

Education Committee

Hearing Report

TO: Members of the Senate

FROM: Michael Ciccio, Legislative Aide

RE: Hearing report on SB 267 – **relative to the establishment of school zones and school zone speed limits by municipalities.**

HEARING DATE: February 21, 2012

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT: Senators Stiles, Carson, Prescott and Kelly

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ABSENT: Senator Forsythe

Sponsor(s): Sen. Houde, Dist 5; Rep. White, Graf 11; Rep. Harding, Graf 11; Rep. Almy, Graf 11

What the bill does: This bill permits local authorities to decrease the speed limit in an area near a school that has not been approved as a school zone by the department of transportation.

Who supports the bill: Senator Houde

Who opposes the bill: No one

Senator Stiles opened the hearing at 1:15 recognized Senator Houde as the prime sponsor

Summary of testimony received:

- Senator Houde stated that the bill may be unnecessary because the problem may be solved without legislation, but he still wanted to provide the background information on the bill.
- He said the community of Lebanon built a new middle school on route 4 in the town which is partly in the urban compact and partly not in the urban compact.
- He stated that when it is in the urban compact the city has more authority and when it is not in the urban compact the State has more control.
- He said the entrance to the school is away from the road to prevent congestion issues or huge safety issues.
- He also said the school still wished to lower the speed limit to 25mph in front of the school.

- He said the DOT was having a hard time getting on page in lowering the speed limit.
- He said this bill would allow a municipality to have the authority to lower the speed limit in front of a school outside the urban compact.
- He stated the DOT has been more cooperative and they have been working with the school and they have come up with about 3-4 possible solutions and he believes they are close to a resolution.
- He said one of the possibilities is that the speed limit would be lowered to 25mph for half hour before and after school.
- Senator Houde said if they come to an agreement it would make SB 267 completely unnecessary.

Senator Stiles: I am willing to wait to take executive action until the 20th if you want to make sure the agreement was final.

Senator Houde: I also wanted to state for the record that the superintendent was planning on being here but I told her it would be unnecessary.

Senator Prescott: When was it going to fully determined?

Senator Houde: I am unsure but everyone seems to be on board.

Senator Stiles closed the hearing at 1:20

Funding: NA

Future Action: An executive session will be held at a later date.

MJC

[file: SB 267 report]

Date: 2/24/12

Speakers

Committee Report

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SENATE
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Date: March 20, 2012

THE COMMITTEE ON Education

to which was referred Senate Bill 267

AN ACT relative to the establishment of school zones and school
zone speed limits by municipalities.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill:

IS INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # s

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 5-0

Senator Nancy Stiles for the Committee

This bill permits local authorities to decrease the speed limit in an area near a school that has not been approved as a school zone by the department of transportation. Senate Bill 267 was introduced based on a disagreements between a local school and the DOT. Since that time the disagreements have been resolved and the legislation is no longer necessary.

Michael Ciccio 271-3093

New Hampshire General Court - Bill Status System

Docket of SB267

Docket Abbreviations

Bill Title: relative to the establishment of school zones and school zone speed limits by municipalities.*Official Docket of SB267:*

Date	Body	Description
1/1/2012	S	Introduced 1/4/2012 and Referred to Education; SJ 1 , Pg.7
2/16/2012	S	Hearing: 2/21/12, Room 103, LOB, 1:15 p.m.; SC8
3/22/2012	S	Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate, 3/28/12; Vote 5-0; CC; SC12
3/28/2012	S	Inexpedient to Legislate, MA, VV === BILL KILLED ===

NH House

NH Senate

Other Referrals

SB 267

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NA HANDOUTS FROM THE PUBLIC HEARING

NA PREPARED TESTIMONY AND OTHER SUBMISSIONS

X SIGN-UP SHEET(S)

ALL AMENDMENTS (passed or not) CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEE:

_____ - AMENDMENT # _____	_____ - AMENDMENT # _____
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ALL AVAILABLE VERSIONS OF THE BILL:

<u>X</u> AS INTRODUCED	_____ AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE
_____ FINAL VERSION	_____ AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

_____ OTHER (Anything else deemed important but not listed above, such as amended fiscal notes): _____

DATE DELIVERED TO SENATE CLERK 4.20.12

Michelle Elie

BY COMMITTEE AIDE