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HOUSE BILL 1094: Ferry Division Audit/Department of Transportation Omnibus, Sec. 17.6: Expedited Review of City of Durham State Highway Speed Limit Requests

Analysis of: S.L. 2026-46, Sec. 17.6

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Section 17.6 of S.L. 2026-46 (House Bill 1094) provides an expedited process for the City of Durham to request adjustments of speed limits on State highway system streets within the city. The Department of Transportation's initial review of a request must be completed within 30 days of receipt. If a request is approved, the Department is required to adopt a concurring ordinance within 60 days and to erect appropriate signs within 60 days thereafter. The speed limit becomes effective when the signs are erected. This section does not authorize a municipality to unilaterally establish or modify speed limits on streets that are part of the State highway system, or require the Department to approve a speed limit that is not reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist upon the affected highway.

This section became effective July 7, 2026.

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