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3 By Senator Butler
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would authorize the Alabama
9 Department of Transportation and county commissions
10 to designate as safety zones sections of highways
11 where large numbers of accidents have occurred or
12 where other factors raise safety concerns and would
13 impose an additional \$100 penalty for moving
14 violations in those zones.

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16 A BILL
17 TO BE ENTITLED
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to the public highways, to authorize the
21 Alabama Department of Transportation and county commissions to
22 designate as safety zones sections of highways where large
23 numbers of accidents have occurred or where other factors
24 raise safety concerns, and to increase speeding fines in
25 safety zones.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. (a) The Alabama Department of
2 Transportation, along state and interstate highways, and the
3 county commission of a county along county roads, may
4 designate sections of highways or roads as safety zones where
5 the number of accidents or other factors raise safety
6 concerns. The safety zones shall be indicated by signs posted
7 at least 1,500 feet in advance of the entrance to a safety
8 zone. The signs shall indicate that fines for moving
9 violations in the zones shall include an additional one
10 hundred dollar (\$100) fine.

11 (b) Any person charged with a moving violation in an
12 area designated as a safety zone by the Department of
13 Transportation or a county commission, upon conviction, shall
14 be fined an additional one hundred dollars (\$100) in addition
15 to the normal fine for the violation.

16 (c) The Department of Transportation may promulgate
17 and implement administrative rules and procedures as it deems
18 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

19 Section 2. This act shall become effective
20 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or
21 upon its otherwise becoming a law.