CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1114

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SCHOOL ZONES

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Yeas 96  Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Yeas 48  Nays 0

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Approved May 9, 2003.

I, Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is HOUSE BILL 1114 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

CYNTHIA ZEHNDER
Chief Clerk

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May 9, 2003 - 4:08 p.m.

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to school or playground speed zones; and amending RCW 46.61.440.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Sec. 1. RCW 46.61.440 and 1997 c 80 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Subject to RCW 46.61.400(1), and except in those instances where a lower maximum lawful speed is provided by this chapter or otherwise, it shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to operate the same at a speed in excess of twenty miles per hour when operating any vehicle upon a highway either inside or outside an incorporated city or town when passing any marked school or playground crosswalk when such marked crosswalk is fully posted with standard school speed limit signs or standard playground speed limit signs. The speed zone at the crosswalk shall extend three hundred feet in either direction from the marked crosswalk.

(2) A county or incorporated city or town may create a school or playground speed zone on a highway bordering a marked school or playground, in which zone it is unlawful for a person to operate a vehicle at a speed in excess of twenty miles per hour. The school or
playground speed zone may extend three hundred feet from the border of
the school or playground property; however, the speed zone may only
include area consistent with active school or playground use.

(3) A person found to have committed any infraction relating to
speed restrictions within a school or playground speed zone shall be
assessed a monetary penalty equal to twice the penalty assessed under
RCW 46.63.110. This penalty may not be waived, reduced, or suspended.

(4) The school zone safety account is created in the
custody of the state treasurer. Fifty percent of the moneys collected
under subsection (3) of this section shall be deposited into
the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only by the
Washington traffic safety commission solely to fund projects in local
communities to improve school zone safety, pupil transportation safety,
and student safety in school bus loading and unloading areas. Only the
director of the traffic safety commission or the director's designee
may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to
allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is
required for expenditures until July 1, 1999, after which date moneys
in the account may be spent only after appropriation.

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