

CHAPTER 358

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 24-1464

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Weinberg and Lindstedt, Bird, Lindsay, Mauro, Snyder;
also SENATOR(S) Mullica, Bridges, Cutter, Exum, Hinrichsen, Priola, Van Winkle.

AN ACT

CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF HIGHWAY ZONES WHEREIN WORK AFFECTING THE HIGHWAY IS OCCURRING.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-614, **amend** (1)(a) and (2) as follows:

42-4-614. Designation of highway maintenance, repair, or construction zones - signs - increase in penalties for speeding violations. (1) (a) If ~~maintenance, repair, or construction~~ MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR activities are occurring ~~or will occur within four hours~~ on a portion of a state highway, the department of transportation may designate ~~such~~ THE portion of the highway as a highway ~~maintenance, repair, or construction~~ MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR zone. If CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES ARE OCCURRING ON A PORTION OF A STATE HIGHWAY, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL DESIGNATE THE PORTION OF THE HIGHWAY AS A HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION ZONE. Any person who commits certain violations listed in section 42-4-1701 (4) in a maintenance, repair, or construction zone that is designated pursuant to this section is subject to the increased penalties and surcharges imposed by section 42-4-1701 (4)(c).

(2) The department of transportation or other public entity ~~shall~~ MUST designate a maintenance, repair, or construction zone by erecting or placing an appropriate sign in a conspicuous place before the area where the maintenance, repair, or construction activity is taking place or, IF THE ZONE IS NOT ON A STATE HIGHWAY, will be taking place within four hours. ~~Such~~ THE sign ~~shall~~ MUST notify the public that increased penalties for certain traffic violations are in effect in ~~such~~ THE zone. The department of transportation or other public entity ~~shall~~ MUST erect or place a second sign after ~~such~~ THE zone indicating that the increased penalties for certain

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traffic violations are no longer in effect. A maintenance, repair, or construction zone begins at the location of the sign indicating that increased penalties are in effect and ends at the location of the sign indicating that the increased penalties are no longer in effect.

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2024 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: June 3, 2024