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STATE OF COLORADO**

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HOUSE BILL 24-1464

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Weinberg and Lindstedt,

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

House Committees

Transportation, Housing & Local Government

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Under current law, if maintenance, repair, or construction activities are occurring or will occur within 4 hours on a portion of a state highway, the Colorado department of transportation (department) is permitted, but not required, to designate the portion of the highway as a highway maintenance, repair, or construction zone.

The bill:

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.*

- Removes the 4-hour time period relating to maintenance, repair, or construction activities that will occur on a portion of a state highway; and
- Requires the department to designate a portion of a state highway on which construction activities are occurring as a highway construction zone.

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

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

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

18 (2) The department of transportation or other public entity ~~shall~~
19 MUST designate a maintenance, repair, or construction zone by erecting
20 or placing an appropriate sign in a conspicuous place before the area
21 where the maintenance, repair, or construction activity is taking place or,
22 IF THE ZONE IS NOT ON A STATE HIGHWAY, will be taking place within four

1 hours. ~~Such~~ THE sign ~~shall~~ MUST notify the public that increased penalties
2 for certain traffic violations are in effect in ~~such~~ THE zone. The
3 department of transportation or other public entity ~~shall~~ MUST erect or
4 place a second sign after ~~such~~ THE zone indicating that the increased
5 penalties for certain traffic violations are no longer in effect. A
6 maintenance, repair, or construction zone begins at the location of the
7 sign indicating that increased penalties are in effect and ends at the
8 location of the sign indicating that the increased penalties are no longer
9 in effect.

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