

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 268  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current Texas law, the fine for a misdemeanor traffic offense is not less than \$1 or more than \$200. As proposed, S.B. 268 provides for an increased fine for persons penalized for exceeding a maximum speed limit by 25 miles per hour or more in an amount ranging from not less than \$200 to not more than \$500.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 545H, Transportation Code, by adding Section 545.366, as follows:

Sec. 545.366. PENALTY: EXCEEDING LIMIT BY 25 MILES PER HOUR OR MORE.  
Requires a person who commits an offense under this subtitle by exceeding an applicable maximum speed limit by 25 miles per hour or more to be punished by a fine of not less than \$200 or more than \$500.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2001.