

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-870 of the Code of Virginia and to amend the Code of Virginia by*  
3 *adding a section numbered 46.2-878.3, relating to penalties for prepaid speeding citations.*

4 [H 1681]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That § 46.2-870 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted and that the Code of Virginia**  
8 **is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-878.3 as follows:**

9 § 46.2-870. Maximum speed limits generally.

10 Except as otherwise provided in this article, the maximum speed limit shall be ~~fifty-five~~ 55 miles per  
11 hour on interstate highways or other limited access highways with divided roadways, nonlimited access  
12 highways having four or more lanes, and all state primary highways.

13 The maximum speed limit on all other highways shall be ~~fifty-five~~ 55 miles per hour if the vehicle is  
14 a passenger motor vehicle, bus, pickup or panel truck, or a motorcycle, but ~~forty-five~~ 45 miles per hour  
15 on such highways if the vehicle is a truck, tractor truck, or combination of vehicles designed to  
16 transport property, or is a motor vehicle being used to tow a vehicle designed for self-propulsion, or a  
17 house trailer.

18 Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, the maximum speed limit shall be ~~sixty-five~~  
19 65 miles per hour where indicated by lawfully placed signs, erected subsequent to a traffic engineering  
20 study, on: (i) interstate highways, (ii) highways constructed pursuant to the Virginia Highway  
21 Corporation Act of 1988 (§ 56-535 et seq.), (iii) Virginia Route 288, (iv) the limited access portion of  
22 Virginia Route 37, (v) highways constructed pursuant to the Public Private Transportation Act of 1995  
23 (§ 56-556 et seq.), and (vi) high-occupancy vehicle lanes if such lanes are physically separated from  
24 regular travel lanes.

25 The Traffic Infractions and Uniform Fine Schedule adopted by the Supreme Court for the  
26 prepayment of fines shall include a fine of not less than five dollars per mile-per-hour in excess of  
27 posted speed limits provided for in this section.

28 § 46.2-878.3. *Prepayment of fines for violations of speed limits.*

29 *Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Traffic Infractions and Uniform Fine Schedule*  
30 *adopted by the Supreme Court for prepayment of fines shall, in all instances where prepayment of a fine*  
31 *is permitted, include a fine of \$5 per mile-per-hour in excess of posted speed limits provided for in this*  
32 *article. However, in any case involving prepayment of a fine for a violation of §§ 46.2-873, 46.2-878.1,*  
33 *or § 46.2-878.2, such Traffic Infractions and Uniform Fine Schedule shall include a fine of more than*  
34 *\$5 per mile-per-hour in excess of posted speed limits.*

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