

SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION URGE CONGRESS
TO RAISE THE MAXIMUM RATE OF DRIVING SPEED TO 65 MILES PER
HOUR.

WHEREAS, previous to the Arab oil embargo in the 1970s, states were permitted to establish what their respective legislative bodies determined to be a safe maximum speed limit; and

WHEREAS, because of the Arab oil embargo, Congress determined that this nation could save money and conserve fuel by reducing the maximum speed limit to 55 miles per hour on the nation's and state's highways; and

WHEREAS, there now exists an oil glut in the world and the need to save money and conserve fuel is not as urgent a need as it was during the late 1970s; and

WHEREAS, the present maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour is not respected by motorists throughout this nation and it greatly hinders intrastate and interstate commerce as well as everyday travel.

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS,

That the Senate hereby respectfully urges the Secretary of Transportation to urge Congress to raise the maximum rate of driving speed on the nation's roads and highways to sixty-five miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon adoption of this Resolution a copy hereof be transmitted immediately by the Secretary of the Senate, Mr. Hal Moody, to the Secretary of Transportation in Washington, D.C.