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Introduced by Sen. LARKIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to speed limits in certain towns

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Section 1662-a of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended  
2     by chapter 405 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:  
3     S 1662-a. Speed limits in certain towns. The town board of any subur-  
4     ban town governed pursuant to article three-A of the town law and the  
5     town board of any other town having a population exceeding [fifty] TWEN-  
6     TY-FIVE thousand, with respect to highways (which term for the purposes  
7     of this section shall include private roads open to public motor vehicle  
8     traffic) in such towns outside any village, other than state highways  
9     maintained by the state on which the department of transportation shall  
10    have established higher or lower speed limits than the statutory fifty-  
11    five miles per hour speed limit as provided in section sixteen hundred  
12    twenty of this title, or on which the department of transportation shall  
13    have designated that such towns shall not establish any maximum speed  
14    limit as provided in section sixteen hundred twenty-four of this title,  
15    subject to the limitations imposed by section sixteen hundred eighty-  
16    four of this title may by local law, ordinance, order, rule or regu-  
17    lation establish maximum speed limits at which vehicles may proceed  
18    within such towns, within designated areas of such towns or on or along  
19    designated highways within such towns lower than the fifty-five miles  
20    per hour maximum statutory limit. No such speed limit applicable  
21    throughout such towns or within designated areas of such towns shall be  
22    established at less than thirty miles per hour, except that in the town  
23    of Hempstead speed limits may be established at not less than fifteen  
24    miles per hour on any portion of a highway in the community known as  
25    Point Lookout and on all or any portion of the following highways in the

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 community known as Lido Beach: Ocean Boulevard, Alleward Street, Bath  
2 Street, Buxton Street, Cheltenham Street, Pinehurst Street, Harrogate  
3 Street, Matlock Street, Nantwick Street, Biarritz Street, Royat Street,  
4 Luchon Street, Woodhail Street, Leamington Street, Saratoga Street,  
5 Kensington Street, and Prescott Street; provided, however, that no such  
6 speed limit in such town may be established unless a majority of the  
7 residents of each such community file a petition with the town board of  
8 such town requesting such speed limit. No such speed limit applicable on  
9 or along designated highways within such towns shall be established at  
10 less than twenty-five miles per hour, except that school speed limits  
11 may be established at not less than fifteen miles per hour, for a  
12 distance not to exceed one thousand three hundred twenty feet, on a  
13 highway passing a school building, entrance or exit of a school abutting  
14 on the highway, and except further that in the town of Hempstead speed  
15 limits may be established at not less than fifteen miles per hour on any  
16 portion of a highway in the communities known as Point Lookout and Lido  
17 Beach; provided, however, that no such speed limit in such town may be  
18 established unless a majority of the residents of each such community  
19 file a petition with the town board of such town requesting such speed  
20 limit.

21 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.