LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

TRANSPORT LEGISLATION MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS BILL 2021

(Amendment and New Clause to be proposed in Committee by Mr DAVIS)

1. Clause 2, line 3, after "67" insert ", 67A".

NEW CLAUSE

2. Insert the following New Clause to follow clause 67—

'67A New section 98B inserted

Before section 99 of the Road Safety Act 1986 insert—

"98B Declaration of 120 kilometre per hour speed-limit zones along specified freeways or highways

 Subject to this section, the Minister, by notice published in the Government Gazette, may declare a part of a specified freeway or highway as a length of road to which a speed-limit of 120 kilometres per hour may apply to a driver of a vehicle for that length of road. Note

Under Rule 20 of the Road Safety Road Rules 2017, a speed-limit applies to the driver of a vehicle for a length of road.

- (2) Before making a declaration under subsection (1), the Minister must be satisfied that the part of the specified freeway or highway to be declared is a high-quality road that is constructed to enable vehicles to safely travel at 120 kilometres per hour, and for that purpose, must consult with—
 - (a) the Head, Transport for Victoria; and
 - (b) the Chief Commissioner of Police.
- (3) For the purposes of this section—
 - (a) a reference to the Hume Freeway includes a reference to the Hume Highway;
 - (b) a reference to the Princess Highway includes a reference to the Princess Freeway;
 - (c) a reference to the Western Highway includes a reference to the Western Freeway.
- (4) In this section
 - *length*, of road, has the same meaning as in the Road Safety Road Rules 2017;

specified freeway or highway means—

- (a) the Hume Freeway; or
- (b) the Princess Highway; or
- (c) the Western Highway.".'.