

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2979

By: Banning and Manger of the  
House

and

**Gollihare** of the Senate

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11                   An Act relating to motor vehicles; creating the Talyn  
12                   Bain Act; defining term; requiring the Department of  
13                   Transportation establish school zones on certain  
14                   state highways upon request; requiring local  
15                   jurisdiction be responsible for certain maintenance  
16                   and costs; stating when reduced speeds shall be in  
17                   effect; requiring Department make certain  
18                   installations on state highways; authorizing  
19                   Department to consult with certain interested  
20                   parties; setting penalty for violations; providing  
21                   for codification; and providing an effective date.

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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1.           NEW LAW           A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-811 of Title 47, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Talyn Bain  
Act".

1 B. For the purposes of this act, the term "school" means a  
2 public school operated by a school district or a private school, as  
3 those terms are recognized under Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
4 that provides instruction in kindergarten through twelfth grade or  
5 any combination of those grades.

6 C. Upon the request of the appropriate local jurisdiction, the  
7 Department of Transportation shall establish a maximum forty-five-  
8 mile-per-hour school zone on any portion of a state highway that  
9 meets any of the following conditions:

10 1. The highway consists of four or more lanes and passes  
11 directly adjacent to the property boundary of a school;

12 2. The highway has a posted speed limit of sixty-five (65)  
13 miles per hour or greater, lacks a grade-separated off-ramp or  
14 frontage road providing access to the school, and passes directly  
15 adjacent to the property boundary of a school; and

16 3. The center line of the highway is within one hundred fifty  
17 (150) yards from the school property line.

18 D. Upon completion of construction of the school zone, the  
19 local jurisdiction shall be responsible for the maintenance and cost  
20 of operation of all school zone signage and equipment.

21 E. The reduced speed limit established pursuant to this section  
22 shall be enforceable when the beacons are flashing and during:

23 1. School drop-off and pick-up times as indicated by flashing  
24 beacons on the school zone signage; and

1           2. Any additional hours designated by the school district or  
2 private school and approved by the Department of Transportation.

3           The Department shall erect signage with flashing beacons to  
4 clearly indicate the beginning and end of the school zone.

5           F. The Department may consult with the affected school  
6 district, private school administration, municipality, or county  
7 commissioners prior to establishing a school zone in an area  
8 pursuant to this section.

9           G. Any violation of the speed limit established pursuant to  
10 this section shall be enforced in the same manner as other school  
11 zone speeding violations established pursuant to Oklahoma law.

12           SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
15 OVERSIGHT, dated 02/24/2026 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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