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## Bill Analysis

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### SUMMARY

- Imposes an additional fine of \$200 on an offender who is guilty of exceeding the posted speed limit by 30 miles per hour or more.
- Prohibits imposition of the additional fine if a court determines that an offender is indigent and unable to pay the additional fine.

### DETAILED ANALYSIS

#### Speed limit fine

The bill imposes an additional fine of \$200 on an offender who is guilty of exceeding the statutory or posted speed limit by more than 30 miles per hour.<sup>1</sup> Generally, under current law, a speeding violation is a minor misdemeanor and carries a fine of up to \$150. However, the base fine can increase depending on the circumstances of the speeding offense (e.g., the offender has two or more prior speeding offenses within the prior year or was speeding in a construction zone), and the bill adds the \$200 additional fine to those increased fines as well.<sup>2</sup>

#### Affidavit of indigency

The bill prohibits the imposition of the additional \$200 fine if:

1. An offender submits an affidavit to the court, prior to sentencing, asserting that the offender is indigent and unable to pay the additional fine; and
2. The court determines that the offender is indigent.

<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4511.21(P)(4).

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4511.21(P)(1) to (3) and (5).

Under current law, there is a similar indigent offender exemption related to paying the doubled-fines for an indigent offender who pleads guilty to or is convicted of speeding in a construction zone.<sup>3</sup>

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## HISTORY

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<sup>3</sup> R.C. 4511.21(P)(3) and (4).