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### M E M O

TO: Members of Subcommittee on Revision

FROM: Marion B. Embick

SUBJECT: Proposed amendment to section 2 of Speed Restrictions re:

Alleys: (1) Definition  
(2) Designation of maximum speed

Definition of "alley" in UVC s 1-102:

§ 1-102—Alley.—A street or highway intended to provide access to the rear or side of lots or buildings in urban districts and not intended for the purpose of through vehicular traffic.  
(New, 1968.)

Section 2. (Maximum speeds.) Add subsection to read:

( ) Fifteen miles per hour when driving on an alley.

#### Analysis:

The definition of alley was added to the UVC in 1968 to clarify right of way situations at places where alleys intersect with other streets and to avoid creation of an intersection at such alleys within the definition of intersection.

With no designated maximum speed for alleys, the speed allowable depends on the location of the alley in a business or in a residential district unless the State Speed Control Board sets a designated speed on a case by case basis.

There is no designated maximum speed for alleys in the UVC. In most jurisdictions local authorities may set the speed of alleys within the authority's physical boundaries.