

Legislative Report for February 2017

Motorcycle and Transportation Bills

- > HB4013 Allow paperless registration and proof of insurance
 - 11-Jan-2017: Referred to committee of insurance
- HB4024 Extend driver license renewal from 4yr to 8yr
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to committee of transportation and infrastructure.
- HB4040 Vehicle registration fees; exempt senior citizens from increases.
 - THE REGISTRATION TAX INCREASES PROVIDED UNDER 15 SUBDIVISION (P)(i)(B) DO NOT APPLY IF THE REGISTRANT OF THE 16 VEHICLE IS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2017.
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to Committee on Government Operations
- ➤ HB4042 Operating a motor vehicle without valid driver license; Increase penalties and require police officers to take certain actions:
 - A PEACE OFFICER WHO DETERMINES THAT A PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBSECTION AND THAT THE PERSON IS THE OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE 201143'17 ELF SHALL IMMEDIATELY CONFISCATE THE MOTOR VEHICLE'S REGISTRATION PLATE AND NOTIFY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THROUGH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION NETWORK IN A FORM RESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT THE REGISTRATION PLATE WAS CONFISCATED. A REGISTRATION PLATE THAT HAS BEEN CONFISCATED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MUST BE HELD FOR A PERIOD OF 10 DAYS AFTER THE CONFISCATION AND, UNLESS THE OWNER OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE PROVIDES PROOF WITHIN THAT 10-DAY PERIOD THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS INSURED UNDER CHAPTER 31 OF THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101 TO 500.3179, MUST BE DESTROYED. A POLICE OFFICER WHO DESTROYS A REGISTRATION PLATE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOTIFY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THROUGH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION NETWORK IN A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT THE REGISTRATION PLATE WAS DESTROYED
 - 18-Jan-2017: Referred to committee on Law and Justice



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HB4062 – Traffic regulation; traveling in extreme left-hand lane

- THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE THAT IS OVER TAKING AND PASSING ANOTHER VEHICLE PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) MAY EXCEED THE SPEED LIMIT FOR THE PORTION OF HIGHWAY UPON WHICH THAT VEHICLE IS TRAVELING, SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
 - (A) THE DRIVER MAY EXCEED THE SPEED LIMIT BY NO MORE THAN 10 MILES PER HOUR.
 - (B) THE DRIVER MAY ONLY EXCEED THE SPEEDLIMIT DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THAT HE OR SHE IS OVERTAKING AND PASSING THE OTHER VEHICLE AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) AND FOR NO LONGER THAN 10 SECONDS AFTER HE OR SHE HAS SAFELY OVERTAKEN AND PASSED THE OTHER VEHICLE.
 - (C) THIS SUBSECTION ONLY APPLIES WHILE THE VEHICLE IS TRAVELING ON A PORTION OF A HIGHWAY THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE LIMITS OF A VILLAGE OR CITY OR WITHIN A SCHOOL ZONE.
- 26-Jan-2017: referred to Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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HB4108 – Speed restrictions when passing

- UPON A ROADWAY HAVING 2 OR MORE LANES FOR TRAVEL IN 1 DIRECTION, THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE IN THE EXTREME LEFT-HAND LANE SHALL NOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE HIS OR HER VEHICLE IN THAT LANE IF HE OR SHE KNOWS OR REASONABLY SHOULD KNOW THAT HE OR SHE IS BEING OVERTAKEN IN THAT LANE FROM THE REAR BY A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT A HIGHER RATE OF SPEED. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES: (A) TRAFFIC CONDITIONS, INCLEMENT WEATHER, OBSTRUCTIONS, HAZARDS, OR COMPLIANCE WITH A LAW OF THIS STATE OR AN OFFICIAL TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MAKE IT NECESSARY TO DRIVE IN THE EXTREME LEFT-HAND LANE
- 18-Jan-2017: referred to Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

> SB0046 – Eliminate the requirement that emergency lights be mounted on the roof of an authorized emergency vehicle

• 18-Jan-2017: Referred to committee of transportation

Other Bills in Lansing

- HB4033 HB4035 Absentee voter; issue upon voter's request without requiring justification
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to Elections and Ethics Committee
- HB4037 HB4039 Automatic voter registration when receiving driver license or identification card
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to Elections and Ethics Committee
- > HB4053 Establish English as the official state language
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to the committee of Government Operations

Ohio Bill Update

- > Ohio House Bill 154 Signed into law and will go in effect March 21st 2017
 - To amend sections 4511.132 and 4511.27 of the Revised Code to provide that when a motor vehicle passes a bicycle the safe passing distance to the left is three feet or greater, and to alter the protocol for proceeding into an intersection that has malfunctioning traffic lights.

Florida Bill Update

- > Florida House Bill 6008: Mandatory Helmet Bill
 - Removes provisions authorizing certain persons over 21 years of age to operate/ride motorcycle without wearing protective headgear; provides penalties.
 - Last Action: Now in Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee on Monday, January 09, 2017