



Legislative Report for June 2017

Motorcycle and Transportation Bills

Changes from last month's report are in Blue

➤ **HB 4306 – Increase motorcycle endorsement fee and earmark increased funds into the motorcycle safety fund**

- Original endorsement: from \$13.5 to \$16.00
- Renewal of endorsement: From \$5.00 to \$7.00
- Registration Tax: From \$23 to \$25
- 02-Mar-2017: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
- 29-Mar-2017: H3 adopted
- The increased endorsement fees will generate \$250,000 annually and will be put in the newly created Motorcycle Awareness Fund.
- The increased Registration tax will generate \$516,500 annually and will be put in the motorcycle safety and Education fund
- **07-Jun-2017: Passed the House Yeas 94, Nays 14**
- **07-Jun-2017: Transmitted to the Senate**

➤ **HB4480 – Motorcycle Handlebar Height Change from 15” to 30”**

- 19-Mar-2017: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

➤ **SB 0160, HB4525 – Modify the definition of autocycle**

- Autocycle = ADD: has rollbar or roll hoops and is not equipped with a saddle.
- 15-Feb-2017: Referred to committee on transportation
- 18-Apr-2017: Passed the House Yeas 36, Nays 0
- 19-Apr-2017: Referred to House committee on transportation
- 25-Apr-2017: HB4525 - Referred to committee on transportation

➤ **HB4466 – Distracted driving bill**

- A Driver shall not hold or use a portable electronic device while operating a motor vehicle on a highway or street in this state, including operating while temporarily stationary because of a traffic light or stop sign. But not including operation when the vehicle has been pulled over to the side of the roadway and is stopped.
- 30-Mar-2017: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

➤ **HB4198 / SB0124 – driver training; training component for drivers regarding safety for bicyclists, Motorcyclist and other vulnerable roadway users on the road**

- THE LAWS OF THIS STATE PERTAINING TO AWARENESS OF BICYCLES, MOTORCYCLES, AND OTHER VULNERABLE ROADWAY USERS, INCLUDING PEDESTRIANS, SHALL ALSO BE INCORPORATED INTO ADDITIONAL CURRICULUM, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, LAWS PERTAINING TO YIELDING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY, TRAVELING AT A SAFE AND REASONABLE SPEED FOR CONDITIONS, ENSURING A SAFE DISTANCE, AND DISTRACTED DRIVING.
- **14-Feb-2017: HB4198: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **09-Feb-2017: SB0124 Referred to committee on Judiciary**

➤ **HB4013 – Allow paperless registration and proof of insurance**

- Allow for electronic or digital photograph of vehicle registration
- **11-Jan-2017: Referred to committee on insurance**
- **02-Mar-2017:** Substitute H1 = Police officer can only view the electronic copy of the certificate and is prohibited from manipulating the device to view any other information. A person who displayed the copy through an electronic device would not be presumed to have consented to a search of that device.
- **14-Mar-2017: Passed the House Yeas 108, Nays 0**
- **15-Mar-2017: Referred to Senate committee on insurance**

➤ **HB4024 – Extend driver license renewal from 4yr to 8yr**

- **12-Jan-2017: Referred to committee on transportation and infrastructure.**

➤ **HB4040 / SB0071 – 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: HB4040: Referred to Committee on Government Operations**
- **31-Jan-2014: SB0071: Referred to committee on Transportation**

➤ **HB4251 – Remove increased Vehicle registration fees 2015**

- **21-Feb-2017: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**

➤ **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 DESCRIBED 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**

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

- 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**

➤ **HB4108 – Speed restrictions when passing**

- 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**

- **SB0046 – Eliminate the requirement that emergency lights be mounted on the roof of an authorized emergency vehicle**
 - 18-Jan-2017: Referred to committee on transportation
 - 15-Mar-2017: Passed the Senate Yeas 37, Nays 0
 - 16-Mar-2017: Referred to House committee on transportation
 - 03-May-2017: Passed the House Yeas 94, Nays 12
 - 25-May-2017: [Approved by Governor – PA 0037'17](#)

- **HB 4185 / HB 4265 / SB0123 – requirement for operator of a motor vehicle to maintain a 5-foot distance when passing a bicyclist on the left**
 - THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION SHALL PASS AT A SAFE DISTANCE OF AT LEAST 5 FEET TO THE LEFT OF THAT BICYCLE, AND WHEN SAFELY CLEAR OF THE OVERTAKEN BICYCLE SHALL TAKE UP A POSITION AS NEAR THE RIGHT-HAND EDGE OF THE MAIN TRAVELED PORTION OF THE HIGHWAY AS IS PRACTICABLE. NOT WITHSTANDING SECTION 640, IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO, THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION MAY OVERTAKE AND PASS THE BICYCLE IN A NO-PASSING ZONE.
 - 09-Feb-2017: HB4185: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
 - 09-Feb-2017: SB0123: Referred to committee on Judiciary
 - 23-Feb-2017: HB4265: Referred to committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

- **SB 0170 – maintain a 5-foot distance when passing a bicyclist on the right**
 - THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE SHALL, WHEN OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY THIS SECTION, PASS AT A SAFE DISTANCE OF AT LEAST 5 FEET TO THE RIGHT OF THAT BICYCLE
 - 21-Feb-2017: Referred to committee on Judiciary

- **SB0151 – violations; use of unmanned traffic monitoring device for ticketing traffic infractions; prohibit, and prohibit secretary of state from assigning points against individual under certain circumstances**
 - IF AN INDIVIDUAL HOLDING AN OPERATOR'S OR CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE IN THIS STATE COMMITS A VIOLATION IN ANOTHER STATE BASED ON ENFORCEMENT BY AN UNMANNED TRAFFIC MONITORING DEVICE THAT WOULD, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT RETAIN A RECORD OF THE VIOLATION OR ASSESS POINTS AGAINST THE LICENSE HOLDER.
 - 09-Feb-2017: Referred to committee on 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**
 - EXCEPTION: THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT AUTOMATICALLY REGISTER TO VOTE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DECLINES IN WRITING, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to Elections and Ethics Committee

- **HB4053 – Establish English as the official state language**
 - 12-Jan-2017: Referred to the committee on Government Operations

Florida Bill Update

- **Florida House Bill 6009: Mandatory Helmet Bill**
 - Removes provisions authorizing certain persons over 21 years of age to operate/ride motorcycle without wearing protective headgear; provides penalties.
 - Now in Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee on Monday, January 09, 2017
 - **05-May-2017: Bill Died in Committee – withdrawn from consideration**

Bill History				
Event	Time	Member	Committee	Ver.
H Died in Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	5/05/2017 - 11:59 PM		Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	—
H Indefinitely postponed and withdrawn from consideration	5/05/2017 - 11:59 PM			—
H 1st Reading	3/07/2017 - 10:58 PM			—
H Now in Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	1/09/2017 - 2:25 PM		Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	—
H Referred to Government Accountability Committee	1/09/2017 - 2:25 PM		Government Accountability Committee	—
H Referred to Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	1/09/2017 - 2:25 PM		Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee	—
H Filed	12/19/2016 - 9:45 AM	Hahnfeldt		—

