
HOUSE BILL No. 1118

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-21.

Synopsis: Proceeding through an intersection at a red light. Authorizes the operator of a: (1) motorcycle; (2) motorized bicycle; (3) motor scooter; or (4) bicycle; approaching an intersection that is controlled by a traffic control signal to proceed through the intersection on a steady red signal under certain circumstances. Makes conforming amendments.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-21-3-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.43-2011,
- 2 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 3 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 7. (a) Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic
- 4 control signals exhibiting different colored lights or colored lighted
- 5 arrows successively, one (1) at a time or in combination, only the
- 6 colors green, red, or yellow may be used, except for special pedestrian
- 7 signals under IC 9-21-18.
- 8 (b) The lights indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and
- 9 pedestrians as follows:
- 10 (1) Green indication means the following:
- 11 (A) Vehicular traffic facing a circular green signal may
- 12 proceed straight through or turn right or left, unless a sign at
- 13 the place prohibits either turn.
- 14 (B) Vehicular traffic, including vehicles turning right or left,
- 15 shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians
- 16 lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent sidewalk at the
- 17 time the signal is exhibited.



- 1 (C) Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown alone
 2 or in combination with another indication, may cautiously
 3 enter the intersection only to make the movement indicated by
 4 the green arrow or other movement permitted by other
 5 indications shown at the same time.
- 6 (D) Vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians
 7 lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic
 8 lawfully using the intersection.
- 9 (E) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian control signal,
 10 pedestrians facing a green signal, except when the sole green
 11 signal is a turn arrow, may proceed across the roadway within
 12 a marked or unmarked crosswalk.
- 13 (2) Steady yellow indication means the following:
 14 (A) Vehicular traffic facing a steady circular yellow or yellow
 15 arrow signal is warned that the related green movement is
 16 being terminated and that a red indication will be exhibited
 17 immediately thereafter.
- 18 (B) A pedestrian facing a steady circular yellow or yellow
 19 arrow signal, unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian control
 20 signal, is advised that there is insufficient time to cross the
 21 roadway before a red indication is shown, and a pedestrian
 22 may not start to cross the roadway at that time.
- 23 (3) Steady red indication means the following:
 24 (A) Except as provided in ~~clause~~ **clauses (B) and (D)**,
 25 vehicular traffic facing a steady circular red or red arrow
 26 signal shall stop at a clearly marked stop line. However, if
 27 there is no clearly marked stop line, vehicular traffic shall stop
 28 before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the
 29 intersection. If there is no crosswalk, vehicular traffic shall
 30 stop before entering the intersection and shall remain standing
 31 until an indication to proceed is shown.
- 32 (B) Except when a sign is in place prohibiting a turn described
 33 in this subdivision, vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal,
 34 after coming to a complete stop, may cautiously enter the
 35 intersection to do the following:
 36 (i) Make a right turn.
 37 (ii) Make a left turn if turning from the left lane of a
 38 one-way street into another one-way street with the flow of
 39 traffic.
- 40 Vehicular traffic making a turn described in this subdivision
 41 shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an
 42 adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic using the intersection.

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(C) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian control signal pedestrians facing a steady circular red or red arrow signal may not enter the roadway.

(D) If the operator of a motorcycle, motorized bicycle, motor scooter, or bicycle approaches an intersection that is controlled by a traffic control signal, the operator may proceed through the intersection on a steady red signal only if the operator:

(i) comes to a complete stop at the intersection for at least one hundred twenty (120) seconds; and

(ii) exercises due caution as provided by law, otherwise treats the traffic control signal as a stop sign, and determines that it is safe to proceed.

(4) No indication or conflicting indications means the following:

(A) Except as provided in clause (C), vehicular traffic facing an intersection having a signal that displays no indication or conflicting indications, where no other control is present, shall stop before entering the intersection.

(B) After stopping, vehicular traffic may proceed with caution through the intersection and shall yield the right-of-way to traffic within the intersection or approaching so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard.

(C) Vehicular traffic entering an intersection or crosswalk facing a pedestrian hybrid beacon may proceed without stopping if no indication is displayed on the pedestrian hybrid beacon.

(5) This section applies to traffic control signals located at a place other than an intersection. A stop required under this subdivision must be made at the signal, except when the signal is supplemented by a sign or pavement marking indicating where the stop must be made.

SECTION 2. IC 9-21-10-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 7. **(a) Subject to subsection (b)**, all traffic regulations and all rights and duties inured from the traffic regulations that apply to a person who drives or operates a motor vehicle apply to a person who operates a motorcycle, except the following:

(1) Regulations that expressly do not apply to motorcycles.

(2) Regulations that by their nature have no application.

(b) IC 9-21-3-7(b)(3)(D) applies to the operation of a motorcycle.

SECTION 3. IC 9-21-11-13.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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1 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 13.5. IC 9-21-3-7(b)(3)(D) applies**
2 **to the operation of a:**
3 **(1) motorized bicycle;**
4 **(2) motor scooter; or**
5 **(3) bicycle.**

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