HOUSE BILL No. 6451

September 12, 2006, Introduced by Reps. Condino, Accavitti, Polidori, Vagnozzi, Tobocman, Plakas, Alma Smith, Lipsey, Donigan, Hood, Leland, Cushingberry and Zelenko and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 682 (MCL 257.682), as amended by 1990 PA 188.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 682. (1) The driver of a vehicle overtaking or meeting a school bus which has stopped and is displaying 2 alternately flashing red lights located at the same level shall bring the vehicle to a full stop not less than 20 feet from the school bus and shall not proceed until the school bus resumes motion or the visual signals are no longer actuated. At an intersection where traffic is controlled by an officer or a traffic stop-and-go signal

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- 1 a vehicle need not be brought to a full stop before passing a
- 2 stopped school bus, but may proceed past the school bus at a speed
- 3 not greater than is reasonable and proper but not greater than 10
- 4 miles an hour and with due caution for the safety of passengers
- 5 being received or discharged from the school bus. The driver of a
- 6 vehicle who fails to stop for a school bus as required by this
- 7 subsection, who passes a school bus in violation of this
- 8 subsection, or who fails to stop for a school bus in violation of
- 9 an ordinance that complies with this subsection, is responsible for
- 10 a civil infraction.
- 11 (2) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway which has been
- 12 divided into 2 roadways by leaving an intervening space, or by a
- 13 physical barrier, or clearly indicated dividing sections so
- 14 constructed as to impede vehicular traffic, need not stop upon
- 15 meeting a school bus which has stopped across the dividing space,
- 16 barrier, or section.
- 17 (3) In a proceeding for a violation of subsection (1), proof
- 18 that the particular vehicle described in the citation was in
- 19 violation of subsection (1), together with proof that the defendant
- 20 named in the citation was, at the time of the violation, the
- 21 registered owner of the vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a
- 22 presumption that the registered owner of the vehicle was the driver
- 23 of the vehicle at the time of the violation.
- 24 (4) In addition to the civil fine and costs provided for a
- 25 civil infraction under section 907, the judge, district court
- 26 referee, or district court magistrate may order a person who
- 27 violates this section to perform not to exceed 100 hours of

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1 community service at a school.