

HOUSE BILL No. 4163

February 4, 2009, Introduced by Rep. LeBlanc and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 684 (MCL 257.684).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 684. (1) ~~(a)~~ Every vehicle upon a highway ~~within~~ **OF** this
 2 state at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour
 3 before sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient
 4 light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the
 5 highway at a distance of 500 feet ahead shall display lighted lamps
 6 and illuminating devices as ~~hereinafter respectively required~~ **IN**
 7 **THIS CHAPTER** for different classes of vehicles, ~~subject to~~
 8 ~~exceptions with respect to~~ **EXCEPT FOR** parked vehicles as
 9 ~~hereinafter stated~~ **PROVIDED IN THIS CHAPTER.**

10 (2) When lighted lamps and illuminated devices are required by

1 law, ~~no~~ A vehicle shall **NOT** be operated upon any highway of this
2 state with only the parking lights illuminated on the front of the
3 vehicle.

4 (3) ~~(b) Whenever requirement is hereinafter declared as to the~~
5 ~~distance from which certain lamps and devices shall render objects~~
6 ~~visible or within which such lamps or devices shall be visible,~~
7 ~~said provisions shall apply during the times stated in paragraph~~
8 ~~(a) of this section~~ **REQUIREMENTS OF THIS CHAPTER CONCERNING THE**
9 **DISTANCE FROM WHICH LAMPS AND DEVICES SHALL RENDER OBJECTS VISIBLE**
10 **OR FROM WHICH THE LAMPS AND DEVICES SHALL BE VISIBLE APPLY DURING**
11 **THE PERIOD PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1)** upon a straight, level,
12 unlighted highway under normal atmospheric conditions unless a
13 different time or condition is expressly stated.

14 (4) ~~(c) Whenever requirement is hereinafter declared as to the~~
15 ~~mounted height of lamps or devices, it shall mean~~ **REQUIREMENTS OF**
16 **THIS CHAPTER CONCERNING THE MOUNTED HEIGHT OF LAMPS AND DEVICES**
17 **SHALL BE CALCULATED** from the center of such ~~THE~~ lamp or device to
18 the level ground upon which the vehicle stands when such ~~THE~~
19 vehicle is without a load.

20 (5) **A MOTOR VEHICLE IN THIS STATE SHALL DISPLAY LIGHTED LAMPS**
21 **AND ILLUMINATING DEVICES AT ALL TIMES THAT THE VEHICLE'S WINDSHIELD**
22 **WIPERS ARE DEPLOYED IN A CONTINUOUS FASHION TO CLEAR RAIN, SNOW, OR**
23 **OTHER MOISTURE FROM THE WINDSHIELD.**

24 (6) **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (7), A PERSON WHO**
25 **OPERATES A MOTOR VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF**
26 **A MISDEMEANOR.**

27 (7) **A PERSON WHO OPERATES A MOTOR VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF**

1 SUBSECTION (5) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIVIL INFRACTION.