MICHIGAN VEHICLE CODE (EXCERPT) Act 300 of 1949

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, AND RECKLESS DRIVING

257.625 Operating motor vehicle while intoxicated; "operating while intoxicated" defined; operating motor vehicle when visibly impaired; penalties for causing death or serious impairment of a body function; operation of motor vehicle by person less than 21 years of age; "any bodily alcohol content" defined; requirements; controlled substance; costs; enhanced sentence; guilty plea or nolo contendere; establishment of prior conviction; special verdict; public record; burden of proving religious service or ceremony; ignition interlock device; definitions; prior conviction; violations arising out of same transaction.

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257.625a Arrest without warrant; circumstances; preliminary chemical breath analysis; provisions; operator ordered out-of-service; refusal of commercial motor vehicle operator to submit to chemical breath analysis as misdemeanor; penalty; provisions applicable to chemical tests and analysis; evidence; availability of test results; admissibility of refusal to submit to chemical test; definitions.

Constitutionality: <Paragraph><P>The provision in the implied consent act for the admission in a prosecution involving driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance of the results of a chemical analysis of a blood sample drawn for the purpose of medical treatment from a driver of a vehicle involved in an accident, and the requirement in the act that the medical facility or person performing the analysis must release the results to a prosecuting attorney who requests the results for use in the prosecution are constitutionally valid. <Emph EmphType="underscore">People</Emph> v <Emph EmphType="underscore">Perlos</Emph>, 436 Mich 305; 462 NW2d 310 (1990).</P></Paragraph>

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257.625b Arraignment of person arrested for misdemeanor violation; pretrial conference; advising accused of maximum penalty before acceptance of plea; screening, assessment, and rehabilitative services; assessment for medication-assisted treatment; action by secretary of state pending appeal.

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257.625c Consent to chemical tests; persons not considered to have given consent to withdrawal of blood; administration of tests; definitions.

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257.625d Refusal to submit to chemical test; court order; report to secretary of state; form.

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257.625e Refusal to submit to chemical test pursuant to MCL 257.625d; request for hearing; notice.

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257.625f Effect of failure to request hearing; hearing procedure; notice; authority of hearing officer; scope of hearing; finding; record; licensing sanctions; judicial review; notice to motor vehicle administrator of another state.

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257.625g Duties of peace officer if person refuses chemical test or if test reveals unlawful alcohol content or presence of controlled substance or other intoxicating substance; test results; duration of temporary license or permit; definitions.

Admin Rule: <Paragraph><P>R 325.2651 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.</P></Paragraph>

257.625h Drunk driving prevention equipment and training fund; drunk driving caseflow assistance fund.

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257.625i Michigan annual drunk driving audit; preparation; contents; report; evaluation of 1998 legislation.

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257.625j Repealed. 1991, Act 98, Eff. Jan. 1, 1992.

Compiler's Notes: <Paragraph><P>The repealed section pertained to the Michigan drunk driving task force.</P></Paragraph>

257.625k Ignition interlock device manufacturer; certification; approval; requirements; rules; cost; notice to department by certifying laboratory; list of manufacturers; BAIID manufacturer; approval of BAIID service center; inspections; prohibited conduct by individual; installation requirements; installer qualifications and requirements; approval; renewal.

Admin Rule: <Paragraph><P>R 257.1001 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.
Compiler's Notes: <Paragraph><P>Enacting section 1 of Act 32 of 2016 provides:

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257.625<Emph EmphType="italic">|</Emph> Ignition interlock device; warning label; prohibited conduct; violation as misdemeanor; penalty; impoundment of motor vehicle.

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257.625m Operation of commercial motor vehicle by person with certain alcohol content; arrest without warrant; violation as misdemeanor or felony; sentence; suspension of term prohibited; prior conviction.

257.625n Forfeiture of vehicle or return to lessor.

257.6250 Ignition interlock device; sale, lease, or installation in vehicle; surety bond.
257.625p Operation of commercial quadricycle by person with certain alcohol content; prohibition; violation as misdemeanor; penalty.
257.625q Compliance with MCL 257.625k; investigation and determination by secretary of state; decertification of installer; notice to manufacturer; violation; penalty; suspension or revocation of manufacturer certification; removal from list of approved certified BAIIDs; summary suspension or revocation; hearing; rules.
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257.625r Authority of peace officer certified as drug recognition expert to require person to submit to preliminary oral fluid analysis; arrest; admissibility of results; refusal; ordering person out of service.
257.625s Testimony of person qualified in administration of standardized field sobriety tests.
257.625t Roadside drug testing pilot program.
Compiler's Notes: <paragraph><p>Enacting section 1 of Act 243 of 2016 provides:</p></paragraph> <p>"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act shall be known and may be cited as the "Barbara J. and Thomas J. Swift Law"."</p>
257.626 Reckless driving on highway, frozen public lake, or parking place; violation as misdemeanor; penalty.
257.626a Drag races; prohibition on public highways; definition; prima facie evidence; applicability within Silver Lake State Park; "drag race" defined.
257.626b Careless or negligent operation of vehicle as civil infraction.

257.626c Repealed. 2008, Act 463, Eff. Oct. 31, 2010.
Compiler's Notes: <paragraph><p>The repealed section pertained to operation of vehicle resulting in serious impairment of body function as felony.</p></paragraph>