

HOUSE BILL No. 2135

By Committee on Transportation

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9 AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning traffic-control lights; amending
10 K.S.A. 8-1508 and repealing the existing section.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. K.S.A. 8-1508 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-
14 1508. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting
15 different colored lights, or colored lighted arrows, successively one at a
16 time or in combination, only the colors green, red and yellow shall be
17 used, except for special pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and
18 said lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians
19 as follows:

20 (a) *Green indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a circular green sig-
21 nal may proceed straight through or turn right or left, unless a sign at
22 such place prohibits either such turn; but vehicular traffic, including ve-
23 hicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles
24 and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent cross-
25 walk at the time such signal is exhibited.

26 (2) Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown alone or in
27 combination with another indication, may enter the intersection cau-
28 tiously only to make the movement indicated by such arrow, or such other
29 movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the same time.
30 Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully
31 within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the
32 intersection.

33 (3) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal, as pro-
34 vided in K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, pedestrians facing any
35 green signal, except when the sole green signal is a turn arrow, may pro-
36 ceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

37 (b) *Steady yellow indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a steady cir-
38 cular yellow or yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related
39 green movement is being terminated or that a red indication will be ex-
40 hibited immediately thereafter when vehicular traffic shall not enter the
41 intersection.

42 (2) Pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or yellow arrow signal,
43 unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal as provided in

1 K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, are thereby advised that there
2 is insufficient time to cross the roadway before a red indication is shown,
3 and no pedestrian shall then start to cross the roadway.

4 (c) *Steady red indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a steady circular
5 red or red arrow signal alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but
6 if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection,
7 or if none, then before entering the intersection, and shall remain stand-
8 ing until an indication to proceed is shown, except as provided in para-
9 graphs (2) ~~and~~, (3) *and* (4) of this subsection. Any turn provided for in
10 ~~said~~ paragraphs (2) and (3) shall be governed by the applicable provisions
11 of K.S.A. 8-1545, and amendments thereto.

12 (2) Unless a sign is in place prohibiting a turn, vehicular traffic facing
13 a steady red signal may cautiously enter the intersection to make a right
14 turn after stopping as required by paragraph (1) of this subsection. After
15 stopping, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the in-
16 tersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute
17 an immediate hazard during the time such driver is moving across or
18 within the intersection or junction of roadways. Such vehicular traffic shall
19 yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk
20 and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

21 (3) Unless a sign is in place prohibiting a turn, vehicular traffic upon
22 a roadway restricted to one-way traffic facing a steady red signal at the
23 intersection of such roadway with another roadway restricted to one-way
24 traffic which is proceeding to the left of such vehicular traffic, may cau-
25 tiously enter the intersection to make a left turn after stopping as required
26 by paragraph (1) of this subsection. After stopping, the driver shall yield
27 the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or approaching on an-
28 other roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the
29 time such driver is moving across or within the intersection or junction
30 of roadways. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedes-
31 trians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully
32 using the intersection.

33 (4) *Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal, which fails to change*
34 *to a green light within a reasonable period of time because of a signal*
35 *malfunction, shall have the right to proceed subject to the rules applicable*
36 *after making a stop at a stop sign under K.S.A. 8-1528, and amendments*
37 *thereto.*

38 ~~(4)~~ (5) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal as
39 provided in K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, pedestrians facing
40 a steady circular red or red arrow signal alone shall not enter the roadway.

41 (d) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and main-
42 tained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this section
43 shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their nature can

1 have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign or marking
2 on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but in the
3 absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made at the signal.
4 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 8-1508 is hereby repealed.
5 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
6 publication in the statute book.