

HOUSE BILL No. 2058

By Committee on Transportation

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1 AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning traffic controlled lights; relating to
2 motorcycles; amending K.S.A. 8-1508 and repealing the existing
3 section.

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

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 8-1508 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-
7 1508. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals exhibiting
8 different colored lights, or colored lighted arrows, successively one at a
9 time or in combination, only the colors green, red and yellow shall be
10 used, except for special pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and
11 said lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians
12 as follows:

13 (a) *Green indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a circular green
14 signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left, unless a sign at
15 such place prohibits either such turn; but vehicular traffic, including
16 vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles
17 and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent
18 crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.

19 (2) Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown alone or in
20 combination with another indication, may enter the intersection
21 cautiously only to make the movement indicated by such arrow, or such
22 other movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the same
23 time. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians
24 lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using
25 the intersection.

26 (3) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal, as
27 provided in K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, pedestrians facing
28 any green signal, except when the sole green signal is a turn arrow, may
29 proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

30 (b) *Steady yellow indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a steady
31 circular yellow or yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related
32 green movement is being terminated or that a red indication will be
33 exhibited immediately thereafter when vehicular traffic shall not enter the
34 intersection.

35 (2) Pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or yellow arrow
36 signal, unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal as

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

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

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

33 (4) *The driver of a motorcycle facing any steady red signal, which*
34 *fails to change to a green light within a reasonable period of time*
35 *because of a signal malfunction or because the signal has failed to detect*
36 *the arrival of the motorcycle because of its size or weight, shall have the*
37 *right to proceed subject to the rules applicable after making a stop at a*
38 *stop sign under K.S.A. 8-1528, and amendments thereto.*

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

42 (d) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and
43 maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this

1 section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their
2 nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign
3 or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but
4 in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made at the
5 signal.

6 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 8-1508 is hereby repealed.

7 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
8 publication in the statute book.

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