

HOUSE BILL No. 1210

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-13-2-34.7; IC 9-19-6.

Synopsis: Continuously flashing light systems on vehicles. Provides that only a motor vehicle, pole trailer, semitrailer, and trailer may be equipped with a continuously flashing light system. Defines "continuously flashing light system".

Effective: July 1, 2016.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-34.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2016]: **Sec. 34.7. "Continuously flashing light system", for**
4 **purposes of IC 9-19-6, has the meaning set forth in IC 9-19-6-1.2.**
5 SECTION 2. IC 9-19-6-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
6 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
7 1, 2016]: **Sec. 1.2. As used in this chapter, "continuously flashing**
8 **light system" means a light system for a supplemental stop lamp**
9 **described in section 17(a) of this chapter in which:**
10 **(1) the stop lamp or reflector pulses rapidly for not more than**
11 **five (5) seconds when the brake is applied and then converts**
12 **to a continuous light as a normal stop lamp or reflector until**
13 **the time that the brake is released; and**
14 **(2) the rapid pulsing described in subdivision (1) may not be**
15 **repeated upon a subsequent application of the brakes for a**
16 **lock-out period of at least five (5) seconds after the release of**
17 **the brakes under subdivision (1).**



1 SECTION 3. IC 9-19-6-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 17. (a) A motor vehicle
 3 may be equipped, and when required under this chapter must be
 4 equipped, with a stop lamp or lamps on the rear of the vehicle that:

5 (1) displays a red or an amber light, or any shade of color between
 6 red and amber, visible from a distance of not less than one
 7 hundred (100) feet to the rear in normal sunlight;

8 (2) will be actuated upon application of the service (foot) brake;
 9 and

10 (3) may be incorporated with at least one (1) other rear lamp.

11 (b) A motor vehicle may be equipped and when required under this
 12 chapter must be equipped with lamps or mechanical signal devices
 13 showing to the front and rear for the purpose of indicating an intention
 14 to turn either to the right or left. If lamps are used for this purpose, the
 15 lamps showing to the front must be located on the same level and as
 16 widely spaced laterally as practicable and when in use must display a
 17 white or an amber light, or any shade of color between white and
 18 amber, visible from a distance of not less than one hundred (100) feet
 19 to the front in normal sunlight. The lamps showing to the rear must be
 20 located at the same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable
 21 and when in use must display a red or an amber light, or any shade of
 22 color between red and amber, visible from a distance of not less than
 23 one hundred (100) feet to the rear in normal sunlight. When actuated
 24 the lamps must indicate the intended direction of turning by flashing
 25 the lights showing to the front and rear on the side toward which the
 26 turn is made. If mechanical signal devices are used for this purpose, the
 27 devices must be self-illuminated when in use at the times required by
 28 IC 9-21-7-2.

29 (c) A stop lamp or signal lamp or device may not project a glaring
 30 light.

31 **(d) Only a:**

32 **(1) motor vehicle;**

33 **(2) pole trailer;**

34 **(3) semitrailer; and**

35 **(4) trailer;**

36 **may be equipped with a continuously flashing light system.**

