

# SENATE BILL No. 57

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-13-2; IC 9-21-8-60.

**Synopsis:** Automated commercial motor vehicles. Provides that an automated commercial motor vehicle may not be operated on a highway to transport passengers or goods unless a human operator who meets all state and federal qualifications to operate a commercial motor vehicle is physically present in the automated commercial motor vehicle to monitor the performance of the automated commercial motor vehicle and to take control of all or part of the automated commercial motor vehicle's operation, if necessary. Provides that a registered automated commercial motor vehicle must meet federal commercial motor vehicle standards and regulations.

**Effective:** July 1, 2024.

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**Tomes, Becker, Messmer, Byrne,  
Yoder, Bohacek**

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January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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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 9-13-2-6.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 3 1, 2024]: **Sec. 6.2. "Automated commercial motor vehicle" means**
- 4 **a commercial motor vehicle with respect to which at least one (1)**
- 5 **aspect of a safety critical control function of the commercial motor**
- 6 **vehicle occurs without direct input from an individual operating**
- 7 **the commercial motor vehicle.**
- 8 SECTION 2. IC 9-13-2-31.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 9 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 10 1, 2024]: **Sec. 31.1. "Commercial motor vehicle operator" means**
- 11 **an individual who meets all state and federal qualifications to**
- 12 **operate a commercial motor vehicle.**
- 13 SECTION 3. IC 9-21-8-60 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 14 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 15 1, 2024]: **Sec. 60. (a) An automated commercial motor vehicle**
- 16 **registered in Indiana must meet federal standards and regulations**
- 17 **applicable to commercial motor vehicles.**



- 1           **(b) A person may not operate an automated commercial motor**
- 2           **vehicle on a highway to transport passengers or goods unless a**
- 3           **human commercial motor vehicle operator is physically present in**
- 4           **the automated commercial motor vehicle to:**
- 5           **(1) monitor the performance of the automated commercial**
- 6           **motor vehicle; and**
- 7           **(2) if necessary, take control of all or part of the dynamic**
- 8           **driving task for the automated commercial motor vehicle.**

