

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 124

DIGEST OF SB 124 (Updated February 16, 2022 9:43 am - DI 139)

Citations Affected: IC 9-21; IC 9-30.

Synopsis: Motor vehicle operation. Provides that an individual subject to both an administrative license suspension and a court ordered license suspension must file a petition for specialized driving privileges in the court that ordered the suspension. Repeals a statute requiring the use of a turn signal 200 feet before making a turn.

Effective: July 1, 2022; January 1, 2023.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections and Criminal

January 11, 2022, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.
January 13, 2022, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.
January 18, 2022, read third time, passed. Yeas 47, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION
January 31, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.
February 17, 2022, amended, reported — Do Pass.



Second Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2022)

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.

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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 9-21-8-24 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023]: Sec. 24. (a) A person
3	may not:
4	(1) slow down or stop a vehicle;
5	(2) turn a vehicle from a direct course upon a highway; or
6	(3) change from one (1) traffic lane to another;
7	unless the movement can be made with reasonable safety.
8	(b) Before making a movement described in this section, a person
9	shall give provide notice of the person's intention by giving:
10	(1) a clearly audible horn signal by sounding the horn if any
11	pedestrian may be affected by the movement; and
12	(2) give an appropriate stop or turn signal in the manner provided
13	in sections 27 through 28 of this chapter. if any other vehicle may
14	be affected by the movement.
15	SECTION 2. IC 9-21-8-25 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE
16	JANUARY 1, 2023]. Sec. 25. A signal of intention to turn right or left
17	shall be given continuously during not less than the last two hundred



(200) feet traveled by a vehicle before turning or changing lanes. A vehicle traveling in a speed zone of at least fifty (50) miles per hour shall give a signal continuously for not less than the last three hundred (300) feet traveled by the vehicle before turning or changing lanes.

SECTION 3. IC 9-30-16-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.198-2016, SECTION 609, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) An individual whose driving privileges have been suspended by the bureau by an administrative action and not by a court order may petition a court for specialized driving privileges as described in section 3(b) through 3(d) of this chapter.

- (b) A petition filed under this section must:
 - (1) be verified by the petitioner;
 - (2) state the petitioner's age, date of birth, and address;
 - (3) state the grounds for relief and the relief sought;
 - (4) be filed in the appropriate county, as determined under subsection (d);
 - (5) be filed in a circuit or superior court; and
 - (6) be served on the bureau and the prosecuting attorney.
- (c) A prosecuting attorney shall appear on behalf of the bureau to respond to a petition filed under this section.
- (d) An individual whose driving privileges are suspended in Indiana must may file a petition for specialized driving privileges. The petition must be filed as follows:
 - (1) **Except as provided in subdivision (2),** if the individual is an Indiana resident, in the county in which the individual resides.
 - (2) If the individual is an Indiana resident and is subject to an active administrative suspension under this section in addition to an active court ordered suspension under section 3 or 3.5 of this chapter, in the court that has ordered or imposed a suspension of the individual's driving privileges.
 - (2) (3) If the individual was an Indiana resident at the time the individual's driving privileges were suspended but is currently a nonresident, in the county in which the individual's most recent Indiana moving violation judgment was entered against the individual.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 124, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Replace the effective date in SECTION 1 with "[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023]".

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 9-21-8-24 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023]: Sec. 24. (a) A person may not:

- (1) slow down or stop a vehicle;
- (2) turn a vehicle from a direct course upon a highway; or
- (3) change from one (1) traffic lane to another; unless the movement can be made with reasonable safety.
- **(b)** A reasonable time before making a movement described in this section, a person shall give provide notice of the person's intention by giving:
 - (1) a clearly audible **horn** signal by sounding the horn if any pedestrian may be affected by the movement; and
 - (2) give an appropriate stop or turn signal in the manner provided in sections 27 through 28 of this chapter. if any other vehicle may be affected by the movement."

Page 2, line 9, strike "must" and insert "may".

Page 2, line 9, delete "privileges" and insert "privileges. **The petition must be filed**".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 124 as introduced.)

YOUNG M, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill 124, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 8, delete "A reasonable time before" and insert "Before".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 124 as printed January 12, 2022.)

PRESSEL

Committee Vote: yeas 9, nays 0.

