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3 HOUSE BILL 2454

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S.
8 2011, Section 11-202, which relates to traffic
9 controls; allowing bicycles to proceed through red
light in certain situations; and providing an
effective date.

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 11-202, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 11-202. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic
16 control signals exhibiting different colored lights or colored
17 lighted arrows successively one at a time, or in combination, only
18 the colors green, red and yellow shall be used, except for special
19 pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and the lights shall
20 indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as
21 follows:

22 1. Green indication:

23 a. vehicular traffic facing a circular green signal,
24 except when prohibited under Section 11-1302 of this

1 title, may proceed straight through or turn right or
2 left unless a sign at such place prohibits either such
3 turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles
4 turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to
5 other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the
6 intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such
7 signal is exhibited,

8 b. vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown
9 alone or in combination with another indication, may
10 cautiously enter the intersection only to make the
11 movement indicated by such arrow, or such other
12 movement as is permitted by other indications shown at
13 the same time. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the
14 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an
15 adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using
16 the intersection, and

17 c. unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control
18 signal, as provided in Section 11-203 of this title,
19 pedestrians facing any green signal, except when the
20 sole green signal is a turn arrow, may proceed across
21 the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk;

22 2. Steady yellow indication:

23 a. vehicular traffic facing a steady circular yellow or
24 yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related

1 green movement is being terminated or that a red
2 indication will be exhibited immediately thereafter,
3 and

- 4 b. pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or yellow
5 arrow signal, unless otherwise directed by a
6 pedestrian_control signal as provided in Section 11-
7 203 of this title, are thereby advised that there is
8 insufficient time to cross the roadway before a red
9 indication is shown, and no pedestrian shall then
10 start to cross the roadway; and

11 3. Steady red indication:

- 12 a. vehicular traffic facing a steady circular red signal
13 alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if
14 none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side
15 of the intersection or, if none, then before entering
16 the intersection and shall remain standing until an
17 indication to proceed is shown except as provided in
18 subparagraphs b and d of this paragraph,
- 19 b. except when a sign is in place prohibiting a turn,
20 vehicular traffic facing any steady red signal may
21 cautiously enter the intersection to turn right or to
22 turn left from a one-way street into a one-way street
23 after stopping as required by subparagraph a of this
24 paragraph. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the

1 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an
2 adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using
3 the intersection,

4 c. in order to prohibit right turns or left turns as
5 prescribed in subparagraph b of this paragraph, on the
6 red signal after the required stop, a municipality
7 must erect clear, concise signs informing drivers that
8 such turns are prohibited. The Highway Department
9 shall specify the design of the sign to be used for
10 this purpose, and it shall be used uniformly
11 throughout the state,

12 d. notwithstanding any other provision of law, the driver
13 of a motorcycle or bicycle facing any steady red
14 signal may cautiously proceed through the intersection
15 only if:

16 (1) the motorcycle or bicycle has been brought to a
17 complete stop as required by subparagraph a of
18 this paragraph,

19 (2) the traffic control signal is programmed or
20 engineered to change to a green signal only after
21 detecting the approach of a motor vehicle and has
22 failed to detect the arrival of the motorcycle or
23 bicycle because of its size or weight, and
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1 (3) no motor vehicle or person is approaching on the
2 roadway to be crossed or entered, or the motor
3 vehicle or person is at a distance from the
4 intersection that does not constitute an
5 immediate hazard.

6 The driver of any vehicle approaching the
7 intersection, which lawfully may enter the
8 intersection, shall have the right-of-way over any
9 motorcycle or bicycle operator proceeding through a
10 red light and, in no event where an accident results
11 from the driver of the motorcycle or bicycle
12 proceeding into the intersection on a red light, shall
13 such driver of the vehicle be charged with any
14 violation pursuant to Sections 11-401 and 11-403 of
15 this title relating to failure to yield right-of-way,
16 Section 11-310 of this title relating to following too
17 closely, or Section 11-801 of this title relating to
18 driving too fast for conditions, and

19 e. unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control
20 signal as provided in Section 11-203 of this title,
21 pedestrians facing a steady circular red signal alone
22 shall not enter the roadway.

23 In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and
24 maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of

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

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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