

# State of Tennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 354**

### HOUSE BILL NO. 92

By Representatives Gillespie, Camper, Hardaway, Dixie, Towns, Chism, Thompson, Clemmons, Miller, Shaw, Hakeem, Pearson, Leatherwood, White, Harris, Russell, Freeman, Vital, McCalmon, Powell, Jernigan, Slater, Carringer, Haston, Beck, Cepicky, Eldridge, Alexander, Helton-Haynes, Littleton

### Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 201

#### By Senators Taylor, Massey, Pody, Powers, Jackson, Yarbro, Lamar, Kyle, Rose, Bowling, Campbell, White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to traffic safety.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-132(e), is amended by deleting the language "not less than one hundred dollars (\$100)" and substituting instead the language "not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250)"; by deleting the language "not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than"; and by deleting the language "not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000)" and substituting instead the language "two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-132(c), is amended by redesignating existing language as subdivision (c)(1) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(2) Upon approaching a stationary vehicle that is giving a signal by use of flashing hazard lights, a person who drives an approaching vehicle shall:

(A) Proceeding with due caution, yield the right-of-way by making a lane change into a lane not adjacent to the stationary vehicle if possible with due regard to safety and traffic conditions, if on a highway having at least four (4) lanes with not less than two (2) lanes proceeding in the same direction as the approaching vehicle; or

(B) Proceeding with due caution, reduce the speed of the vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for road conditions, if changing lanes would be impossible or unsafe.

SECTION 3. This act is known and may be cited as the "Jabari Bailey Highway Safety

Act".

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 19, 2023

CAMERON SEXTON. SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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APPROVED this 5th day of May 2023

**BILL LEE, GOVERNOR**