

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0041

Driving within a single lane.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gingery, Brown, Cannady
and McOmie and Senator(s) Christensen

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; modifying requirements
2 for driving within a single lane on two lane roads;
3 creating definitions in the uniform act regulating traffic
4 on highways; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-5-102(a) by creating new
9 paragraphs (lxiv) and (lxv) and 31-5-209(a)(i), by creating
10 a new paragraph (ii) and by renumbering (ii) through (iv)
11 as (iii) through (v) are amended to read:

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13 **31-5-102. Definitions.**

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15 (a) Except as otherwise provided, as used in this
16 act:

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31-5-209. Driving on roadways laned for traffic.

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(lxiv) "Fog line" means the line that delineates between the travel way and the shoulder;

(lxv) "Travel way" means the portion of the roadway for the movement of vehicles, exclusive of the shoulders.

(a) Whenever any roadway has been divided into two (2) or more clearly marked lanes for traffic the following rules in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply:

(i) A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single lane. ~~and shall not be~~
As used in this paragraph, "as nearly as practicable" means that a vehicle may move slightly across the fog line or lane marker when adverse conditions exist, including but not limited to high winds, sharp curves, or objects in the roadway;

1 ~~(ii)~~ A vehicle shall not be moved from ~~the a~~
2 lane until the driver has first ascertained that the
3 movement can be made with safety;

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5 ~~(ii)~~ (iii) Upon a roadway which is divided into
6 three (3) lanes and provides for two-way movement of
7 traffic, a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane
8 except when overtaking and passing another vehicle
9 traveling in the same direction when the center lane is
10 clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation
11 for making or completing a left turn or where the center
12 lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving
13 in the direction the vehicle is proceeding and the
14 allocation is designated by official traffic-control
15 devices;

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17 ~~(iii)~~ (iv) Official traffic-control devices may
18 be erected directing specified traffic to use a designated
19 lane or designating those lanes to be used by traffic
20 moving in a particular direction regardless of the center
21 of the roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the
22 directions of every such device;

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1 ~~(iv)~~(v) Official traffic-control devices may be
2 installed prohibiting the changing of lanes on sections of
3 roadways and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions
4 of every such device.

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6 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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