

HOUSE BILL No. 5640

February 27, 2018, Introduced by Reps. Cole, Lucido, Sabo and Greimel and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

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by amending section 670 (MCL 257.670), as amended by 2002 PA 534.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 670. (1) A person shall not operate or move a caterpillar

2 tractor, shovel, derrick, roller, boiler, machinery, or other 3 structure or object upon rollers, or other equipment or structure, 4 which, because of its limited power, or weight, character, or load, 5 has a normal operating speed of 4 miles per hour or less, or which 6 has a vertical load or body clearance of less than 9 inches above the level surface of the roadway, upon or across the tracks of a 8 railroad at grade level without first complying with this section, except this section shall not apply to the movement of electrically 9 propelled cars on fixed rails or to their loads.

(2) Notice of the intended crossing described in subsection

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- 1 (1) shall be given to the nearest agent or officer of the railroad
- 2 in time to afford protection to its locomotives, trains, or cars at
- 3 the crossing.
- 4 (3) Before making the crossing, the person operating or moving
- 5 the vehicle or equipment shall first stop not less than 15 feet or
- 6 more than 50 feet from the nearest rail of the track and while
- 7 stopped shall listen and look in both directions along the track
- 8 for an approaching RAILROAD train OR OTHER ON-TRACK EQUIPMENT and
- 9 for signals indicating the approach of a RAILROAD train OR OTHER
- 10 ON-TRACK EQUIPMENT, and shall not proceed until the crossing can be
- 11 made safely.
- 12 (4) A crossing shall not be made when warning is given by
- 13 automatic signal or crossing gates or a flagman or otherwise of the
- 14 immediate approach of a railroad train or car.
- 15 (5) A person who violates this section is responsible for a
- 16 civil infraction.
- 17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 18 after the date it is enacted into law.

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