

HOUSE BILL No. 5985

June 30, 1992, Introduced by Rep. Wozniak and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend sections 73 and 216 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended

"Michigan vehicle code,"

section 216 as amended by Act No. 98 of the Public Acts of 1990, being sections 257.73 and 257.216 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add sections 8c and 45b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Sections 73 and 216 of Act No. 300 of the Public
2 Acts of 1949, section 216 as amended by Act No. 98 of the Public
3 Acts of 1990, being sections 257.73 and 257.216 of the Michigan
4 Compiled Laws, are amended and sections 8c and 45b are added to
5 read as follows:

6 SEC. 8C. "CONVERTER GEAR" MEANS AN AUXILIARY UNDERCARRIAGE
7 ASSEMBLY WITH A FIFTH WHEEL AND TOW BAR USED TO CONVERT A
8 SEMITRAILER TO A FULL TRAILER.

1 SEC. 45B. "PULL-DOLLY" MEANS AN AUXILIARY TOWING DEVICE
2 DESIGNED SO THAT 2 WHEELS OF A VEHICLE REST UPON IT FOR THE PUR-
3 POSE OF BEING TOWED BY ANOTHER VEHICLE.

4 Sec. 73. "Trailer" means every vehicle with or without
5 motive power ~~, other than a pole trailer,~~ designed for carrying
6 property or persons and for being drawn by a motor vehicle and so
7 constructed that no part of its weight rests upon the towing
8 vehicle. TRAILER DOES NOT INCLUDE A CONVERTER GEAR, POLE TRAIL-
9 ER, OR PULL-DOLLY.

10 Sec. 216. Every motor vehicle, pickup camper, trailer
11 coach, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer, when driven or
12 moved upon a highway, shall be subject to the registration and
13 certificate of title provisions of this act except the
14 following:

15 (a) A vehicle driven or moved upon a highway in conformance
16 with the provisions of this act relating to manufacturers, trans-
17 porters, dealers, or nonresidents.

18 (b) A vehicle which is driven or moved upon a highway only
19 for the purpose of crossing that highway from 1 property to
20 another.

21 (c) An implement of husbandry.

22 (d) Special mobile equipment for which the secretary of
23 state may issue a special registration to an individual, partner-
24 ship, corporation, or association not licensed as a dealer to
25 identify the equipment when being moved over the streets and
26 highways upon payment of the required fee.

1 (e) A vehicle which is propelled exclusively by electric
2 power obtained from overhead trolley wires though not operated
3 upon rails.

4 (f) Any vehicle subject to registration, but owned by the
5 government of the United States.

6 (g) A certificate of title need not be obtained for a trail-
7 er, semitrailer, or pole trailer weighing less than 2,500 pounds
8 respectively.

9 (h) A vehicle driven or moved upon the highway only for the
10 purpose of securing a weight receipt from a weighmaster as is
11 required in section 801, or for obtaining a vehicle inspection by
12 a law enforcement agency before titling or registration, and then
13 only by the most direct route.

14 (i) A certificate of title need not be obtained for a vehi-
15 cle owned by a manufacturer or dealer and held for sale, even
16 though incidentally moved on the highway or used for purposes of
17 testing or demonstration.

18 (j) A bus or school bus, as defined in section 4b or 57,
19 which is not self-propelled and used exclusively as a construc-
20 tion shanty.

21 (k) A certificate of title need not be obtained for a
22 moped.

23 (l) For 3 days immediately following the date of a properly
24 assigned title from any person other than a vehicle dealer, a
25 registration need not be obtained for a motor vehicle driven or
26 moved upon the highway for the sole purpose of transporting the
27 vehicle in the most direct route from the place of purchase to a

1 place of storage if the driver has in his or her possession the
2 assigned title and a dated bill of sale.

3 (m) A certificate of registration need not be obtained for a
4 pickup camper. However, a certificate of title shall be obtained
5 for a pickup camper purchased after January 1, 1991.

6 (N) A CONVERTER GEAR.

7 (O) A PULL-DOLLY.