



# HOUSE BILL No. 6065

October 3, 2000, Introduced by Reps. Schermesser, LaForge, DeHart, Hale, Rivet, Prusi, Ehardt, Jannick and Brater and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
by amending section 601b (MCL 257.601b), as added by 1996 PA  
320.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 601b. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
2 act, a person responsible for a moving violation in a construc-  
3 tion zone, at an emergency scene, or in a school zone during the  
4 period beginning 30 minutes before school in the morning and  
5 through 30 minutes after school in the afternoon is subject to a  
6 fine that is double the fine otherwise prescribed for that moving  
7 violation.

8       (2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, A  
9 PERSON WHO COMMITS A MOVING VIOLATION OF THIS ACT THAT CAUSES  
10 INJURY TO A CONSTRUCTION WORKER IN THE CONSTRUCTION ZONE AREA IS

1 GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN  
2 \$1,000.00 OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 2 YEARS, OR BOTH.

3 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, A  
4 PERSON WHO COMMITS A MOVING VIOLATION OF THIS ACT THAT CAUSES  
5 DEATH TO A CONSTRUCTION WORKER IN THE CONSTRUCTION ZONE AREA IS  
6 GUILTY OF A FELONY PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN  
7 \$7,500.00 OR BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 15 YEARS, OR  
8 BOTH. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, A PERSON  
9 WHO COMMITS A MOVING VIOLATION OF THIS ACT THAT CAUSES DEATH TO A  
10 CONSTRUCTION WORKER IN THE CONSTRUCTION ZONE AREA AND WHO WAS AT  
11 THE TIME OF THE VIOLATION UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF, OR IMPAIRED BY,  
12 INTOXICATING LIQUOR OR A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE IS PUNISHABLE BY  
13 IMPRISONMENT FOR LIFE OR ANY TERM OF YEARS.

14 (4) ~~(2)~~ Whenever practical, signs designed in compliance  
15 with the uniform manual of traffic control devices shall be  
16 appropriately placed at the construction zone by the state trans-  
17 portation department or road authority having jurisdiction over  
18 the construction zone notifying operators of vehicles ~~that~~ OF  
19 THE INCREASED FINES AND PENALTIES PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION for  
20 the protection and safety of construction workers. ~~the fine for~~  
21 ~~a moving violation in this work area is double the fine otherwise~~  
22 ~~prescribed for that moving violation.~~

23 (5) ~~(3)~~ As used in this section:

24 (a) "Construction zone" means a designated work area  
25 described in section 627.

26 (b) "Emergency scene" means a traffic accident, a serious  
27 incident caused by weather conditions, or another occurrence

1 along a highway or street for which a police officer,  
2 firefighter, or emergency medical personnel are summoned to aid  
3 an injured victim.

4 (c) "Moving violation" means an act or omission prohibited  
5 under this act or a local ordinance substantially corresponding  
6 to this act that occurs while a person is operating a motor vehi-  
7 cle, and for which the person is subject to a fine.

8 (d) "School zone" means that term as defined in section  
9 627a.