

# HOUSE BILL No. 4810

August 18, 2015, Introduced by Rep. Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
by amending section 636 (MCL 257.636).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 636. (1) The following rules shall govern the overtaking  
2       and passing of vehicles proceeding in the same direction, subject  
3       to ~~those limitations, exceptions, and special rules stated in~~  
4       sections 637 to 643a:

5       (a) The driver of a vehicle overtaking another vehicle  
6       proceeding in the same direction shall pass at a safe distance to  
7       the left of that vehicle, and when safely clear of the overtaken  
8       vehicle shall take up a position as near the right-hand edge of the  
9       main traveled portion of the highway as is practicable.

10       **(B) UPON A ROADWAY HAVING 2 OR MORE LANES FOR TRAVEL IN 1**  
11       **DIRECTION, THE DRIVER OF A VEHICLE IN THE EXTREME LEFT-HAND LANE**

1 SHALL NOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE HIS OR HER VEHICLE IN THAT LANE IF HE  
2 OR SHE KNOWS OR REASONABLY SHOULD KNOW THAT HE OR SHE IS BEING  
3 OVERTAKEN IN THAT LANE FROM THE REAR BY A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT A  
4 HIGHER RATE OF SPEED. THIS SUBDIVISION DOES NOT APPLY UNDER ANY OF  
5 THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

6 (i) TRAFFIC CONDITIONS, INCLEMENT WEATHER, OBSTRUCTIONS,  
7 HAZARDS, OR COMPLIANCE WITH A LAW OF THIS STATE OR AN OFFICIAL  
8 TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE MAKE IT NECESSARY TO DRIVE IN THE EXTREME  
9 LEFT-HAND LANE.

10 (ii) THE VEHICLE IS REQUIRED TO BE DRIVEN IN THE EXTREME LEFT-  
11 HAND LANE IN ORDER TO EXIT OR TURN LEFT.

12 (iii) THE VEHICLE IS AN AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE.

13 (iv) THE VEHICLE IS A ROAD MAINTENANCE VEHICLE ENGAGED IN ROAD  
14 CONSTRUCTION OR MAINTENANCE. AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, "ROAD  
15 MAINTENANCE VEHICLE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 653B.

16 (C) ~~(b)~~ Except when overtaking and passing on the right is  
17 permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give way to the  
18 right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and  
19 shall not increase the speed of his or her vehicle until completely  
20 passed by the overtaking vehicle.

21 (2) A person who violates this section is responsible for a  
22 civil infraction.

23 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
24 after the date it is enacted into law.