HOUSE BILL No. 5635

May 10, 2016, Introduced by Rep. Lucido and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled

"Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 684 (MCL 257.684).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 684. (1) (a) Every vehicle upon a highway within OF this
- 2 state at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour
- 3 before sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient
- 4 light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the
- 5 highway at a distance of 500 feet ahead shall display lighted lamps
- 6 and illuminating devices as hereinafter respectively required IN
- THIS CHAPTER for different classes of vehicles, subject to
- exceptions with respect to EXCEPT FOR parked vehicles as
- hereinafter stated. PROVIDED IN THIS CHAPTER.
 - (2) When lighted lamps and illuminated devices are required by

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- 1 law, no A vehicle shall NOT be operated upon any highway of this
- 2 state with only the parking lights illuminated on the front of the
- 3 vehicle.
- 4 (3) (b) Whenever requirement is hereinafter declared as to the
- 5 distance from which certain lamps and devices shall render objects
- 6 visible or within which such lamps or devices shall be visible,
- 7 said provisions shall apply during the times stated in paragraph
- 8 (a) of this section REQUIREMENTS OF THIS CHAPTER CONCERNING THE
- 9 DISTANCE FROM WHICH LAMPS AND DEVICES SHALL RENDER OBJECTS VISIBLE
- 10 OR FROM WHICH THE LAMPS AND DEVICES SHALL BE VISIBLE APPLY DURING
- 11 THE PERIOD PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1) upon a straight, level,
- 12 unlighted highway under normal atmospheric conditions unless a
- 13 different time or condition is expressly stated.
- 14 (4) (c) Whenever requirement is hereinafter declared as to the
- 15 mounted height of lamps or devices, it shall mean REQUIREMENTS OF
- 16 THIS CHAPTER CONCERNING THE MOUNTED HEIGHT OF LAMPS AND DEVICES
- 17 SHALL BE CALCULATED from the center of such THE lamp or device to
- 18 the level ground upon which the vehicle stands when such THE
- 19 vehicle is without a load.
- 20 (5) A MOTOR VEHICLE IN THIS STATE SHALL DISPLAY LIGHTED LAMPS
- 21 AND ILLUMINATING DEVICES AT ALL TIMES THAT THE VEHICLE'S WINDSHIELD
- 22 WIPERS ARE DEPLOYED IN A CONTINUOUS FASHION TO CLEAR RAIN, SNOW, OR
- 23 OTHER MOISTURE FROM THE WINDSHIELD.
- 24 (6) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A PERSON
- 25 WHO OPERATES A MOTOR VEHICLE IN VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (5) IS
- 26 RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIVIL INFRACTION. A PERSON WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY
- 27 BEEN FOUND RESPONSIBLE FOR A CIVIL INFRACTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION

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- 1 AND WHO COMMITS A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (5)
- 2 IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE
- 3 THAN 93 DAYS OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$500.00, OR BOTH.
- 4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 5 after the date it is enacted into law.