

HOUSE BILL No. 5678

May 24, 2016, Introduced by Reps. Brinks, Victory, Afendoulis, VerHeulen, Whiteford, Hooker, Price, Crawford, Pagel, LaGrand, Geiss, Pagan, Phelps, Rutledge, Yonker, Townsend, Gay-Dagnogo, Garcia, Plawecki, Greig, Hoadley, Kivela, Moss, Wittenberg and Kosowski and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to amend 1997 PA 55, entitled
"Electric patrol vehicle act,"
by amending sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 (MCL 257.1572, 257.1574,
257.1575, and 257.1576).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2 (a) "Electric patrol vehicle" means an electrically powered
3 motor vehicle designed to carry not more than 4 persons, at a speed
4 **OF** not more than 25 miles per hour, having not less than ~~4~~**3** wheels
5 and having an unloaded weight of not more than 1,300 pounds.

6 (b) "Political subdivision" means a village, city, township,
7 county, or a university of this state.

8 (c) **"SIDEWALK" MEANS A PAVED PUBLIC SIDEWALK INTENDED FOR**
9 **PEDESTRIAN USE SITUATED OUTSIDE OF AND ADJACENT TO THE IMPROVED**

1 PORTION OF A STREET OR HIGHWAY DESIGNED FOR VEHICULAR TRAVEL.

2 Sec. 4. Subject to section 5, a political subdivision may, by
3 ordinance, authorize law enforcement, emergency service, and
4 parking enforcement employees of the political subdivision to
5 operate an electric patrol vehicle on a street, ~~or~~ highway, **OR**
6 **SIDEWALK** within that political subdivision's boundaries.

7 Sec. 5. An electric patrol vehicle authorized under section 4
8 shall be limited as follows:

9 (a) To a street or highway with a posted speed limit of not
10 more than 25 miles per hour.

11 (b) To crossing a street or highway with a posted speed limit
12 of not more than 50 miles per hour.

13 (C) TO A SIDEWALK.

14 Sec. 6. **(1) ~~Each~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), EACH**
15 electric patrol vehicle authorized under section 4 shall have all
16 of the following equipment:

17 (a) Brakes adequate to control the movement of and to stop and
18 hold the vehicle.

19 (b) Not less than ~~2-1~~ head lamps **LAMP** that ~~enable~~ **ENABLES** the
20 operator of the vehicle to see a person not less than 100 feet to
21 the front of the vehicle.

22 (c) Not less than 2 rear lamps that comply with section 697 of
23 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.697.

24 (d) A windshield of safety glass as defined in section 711 of
25 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.711.

26 (e) A horn as ~~defined in~~ **REQUIRED UNDER** section 706(a) of the
27 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.706.

1 (f) Safety belts designed and installed with brackets and of
2 sufficient strength to hold a passenger during a collision.

3 (g) A parking brake sufficient to hold the vehicle in a
4 stopped position.

5 (h) Reflectors that reflect an amber or red color as required
6 for motor vehicles ~~by section~~ **UNDER SECTIONS 689 AND** 690 of the
7 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, **MCL 257.689 AND** 257.690.

8 **(2) A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION MAY, BY ORDINANCE, EXEMPT ELECTRIC**
9 **PATROL VEHICLES AUTHORIZED FOR USE WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES UNDER**
10 **SECTION 4 FROM THE EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTION (1) (D) AND**
11 **(F) .**

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