

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5766**

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
by amending sections 224, 226, 698, 717, and 808 (MCL 257.224,  
257.226, 257.698, 257.717, and 257.808), section 224 as amended by  
2013 PA 179, section 226 as amended by 2016 PA 425, section 698 as  
amended by 2018 PA 278, and section 717 as amended by 2018 PA 273;  
and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

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

- 1       Sec. 224. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act  
2       regarding tabs or stickers, upon registering a vehicle, the  
3       secretary of state shall issue to the owner 1 registration plate.  
4       (2) A registration plate shall display the registration number  
5       assigned to the vehicle for which the registration plate is issued;

1 the name of this state, which may be abbreviated; and when the  
2 registration plate expires, which may be shown by a tab or sticker  
3 furnished by the secretary of state.

4 (3) A registration plate issued for motor vehicles owned and  
5 operated by this state; a state institution; a municipality; a  
6 privately incorporated, nonprofit volunteer fire department; or a  
7 nonpublic, nonprofit college or university of this state shall not  
8 expire at any particular time but shall be renewed when the  
9 registration plate is worn out or is illegible. This registration  
10 plate shall be assigned upon proper application and payment of the  
11 applicable fee and may be used on any eligible vehicle titled to  
12 the applicant if a written record is kept of the vehicles upon  
13 which the registration plate is used. The written record shall  
14 state the time the registration plate is used on a particular  
15 vehicle. The record shall be open to inspection by a law  
16 enforcement officer or a representative of the secretary of state.

17 (4) A registration plate issued for a vehicle owned by the  
18 civil air patrol as organized under 36 USC 201 to 208; a vehicle  
19 owned by a nonprofit organization and used to transport equipment  
20 for providing dialysis treatment to children at camp; an emergency  
21 support vehicle used exclusively for emergencies and owned and  
22 operated by a federally recognized nonprofit charitable  
23 organization; a vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit veterans  
24 center; a motor vehicle having a truck chassis and a locomotive or  
25 ship's body which is owned by a nonprofit veterans organization and  
26 used exclusively in parades and civic events; a vehicle owned and  
27 operated by a nonprofit recycling center or a federally recognized

1 nonprofit conservation organization until December 31, 2000; a  
2 motor vehicle owned and operated by a senior citizen center; and a  
3 registration plate issued for buses including station wagons,  
4 carryalls, or similarly constructed vehicles owned and operated by  
5 a nonprofit parents' transportation corporation used for school  
6 purposes, parochial school, society, church Sunday school, or other  
7 grammar school, or by a nonprofit youth organization or nonprofit  
8 rehabilitation facility shall be issued upon proper application and  
9 payment of the applicable tax provided in section 801(1)(g) or (h)  
10 to the applicant for the vehicle identified in the application. The  
11 vehicle shall be used exclusively for activities of the school or  
12 organization and shall be designated by proper signs showing the  
13 school or organization operating the vehicle. The registration  
14 plate shall expire on December 31 in the fifth year following the  
15 date of issuance. The registration plate may be transferred to  
16 another vehicle upon proper application and payment of a \$10.00  
17 transfer fee.

18 (5) The department shall offer a standard design registration  
19 plate that complies with the requirements of this act. The standard  
20 design registration plate shall be of a common color scheme and  
21 design that is made of fully reflectorized material and shall be  
22 clearly visible at night.

23 (6) The department may use the Pure Michigan brand or a  
24 successor or similar brand that is used in conjunction with this  
25 state's promotion, travel, and tourism campaigns or marketing  
26 efforts as part of the standard design for registration plates.

27 (7) The registration plate and the required letters and

1 numerals on the registration plate shall be of sufficient size to  
2 be plainly readable from a distance of 100 feet during daylight.  
3 The secretary of state may issue a tab or tabs designating the  
4 month and year of expiration.

5 (8) ~~The~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE**  
6 secretary of state shall issue for every passenger motor vehicle  
7 rented without a driver the same type of registration plate as the  
8 type of registration plate issued for private passenger vehicles.  
9 **THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE**  
10 **ISSUED FOR A VEHICLE IN A FLEET UNDER SECTION 801H.**

11 (9) A person shall not operate a vehicle on the public  
12 highways or streets of this state displaying a registration plate  
13 other than the registration plate issued for the vehicle by the  
14 secretary of state, except as provided in this chapter for  
15 nonresidents, or by assignment as provided in subsection (3).

16 (10) The registration plate displayed on a vehicle registered  
17 on the basis of elected gross weight shall indicate the elected  
18 gross weight for which the vehicle is registered.

19 (11) Beginning on January 1, 2015, a registration plate issued  
20 by the department under this section shall not be renewed 10 years  
21 after the date that registration plate was issued. The owner of a  
22 vehicle whose registration plate is no longer eligible for renewal  
23 under this subsection shall obtain a replacement registration plate  
24 upon payment of the fee required under section 804. For any  
25 alphanumeric series that the department has retired from  
26 circulation, upon request of the owner of a vehicle whose  
27 registration plate is no longer eligible for renewal under this

1 subsection, the department may issue a new registration plate with  
2 the same registration number as was displayed on the expired  
3 registration plate as provided under section 803b.

4 ~~—— (12) The secretary of state, in conjunction with the~~  
5 ~~department of corrections, the Michigan state police, the Michigan~~  
6 ~~sheriffs' association, 1 individual appointed by the speaker of the~~  
7 ~~house of representatives, and 1 individual appointed by the senate~~  
8 ~~majority leader, shall prepare a report analyzing the viability of~~  
9 ~~moving from the current registration plate production process to a~~  
10 ~~digital printing of registration plates. The secretary of state~~  
11 ~~shall submit the report to the standing committees of the senate~~  
12 ~~and house of representatives with primary responsibility for~~  
13 ~~transportation issues no later than December 31, 2013.~~

14       Sec. 226. (1) A vehicle registration issued by the secretary  
15 of state expires on the owner's birthday, unless another expiration  
16 date is provided for under this act or unless the registration is  
17 for the following vehicles, in which case registration expires on  
18 the last day of February:

19       (a) A commercial vehicle except for a commercial vehicle  
20 issued a registration under the international registration plan or  
21 a pickup truck or van owned by an individual.

22       (b) Except for a trailer or semitrailer issued a registration  
23 under the international registration plan, a trailer or semitrailer  
24 owned by a business, corporation, or person other than an  
25 individual; or a pole trailer.

26       (2) The expiration date for a registration issued for a  
27 motorcycle is the motorcycle owner's birthday.

1           (3) The expiration date for a registration bearing the letters  
2 "SEN" or "REP" is February 1.

3           (4) In the case of a vehicle owned by a business, corporation,  
4 or an owner other than an individual, the secretary of state may  
5 assign or reassign the expiration date of the registration.

6           (5) The secretary of state shall do all of the following:

7           (a) After the October 1 immediately preceding the year  
8 designated on the registration, issue a registration upon  
9 application and payment of the proper fee for a commercial vehicle,  
10 other than a pickup or van owned by an individual; or a trailer  
11 owned by a business, corporation, or person other than an  
12 individual.

13           (b) Beginning 60 days before the expiration date assigned on  
14 an international registration plan registration plate, issue a  
15 registration under section 801g upon application and payment of the  
16 proper apportioned fee for a commercial vehicle engaged in  
17 interstate commerce.

18           (c) Beginning 45 days before the owner's birthday and 120 days  
19 before the expiration date assigned by the secretary of state,  
20 issue a registration for a vehicle other than those designated in  
21 subsection (1)(a) or (b). However, if an owner whose registration  
22 period begins 45 days before his or her birthday will be out of the  
23 state during the 45 days immediately preceding expiration of a  
24 registration or for other good cause shown cannot apply for a  
25 renewal registration within the 45-day period, application for a  
26 renewal registration may be made not more than 6 months before  
27 expiration.

(6) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the secretary of state, upon application and payment of the proper fee, shall issue a registration for a vehicle or a motorcycle to a resident that shall expire on the owner's birthday. If the owner's next birthday is at least 6 months but not more than 12 months in the future, the owner shall receive a registration valid until the owner's next birthday. If the owner's next birthday is less than 6 months in the future, the owner shall receive a registration valid until the owner's birthday following the owner's next birthday. The tax required under this act for a registration described in this subsection shall be either of the following:

(a) For an original registration, the tax shall bear the same relationship to the tax required under section 801 for a 12-month registration as the length of the registration bears to 12 months.

(b) For a renewal of a registration, either of the following:

(i) For a registration that is for at least 6 months but not more than 12 months, the same amount as for 12 months.

(ii) For a renewal of a registration that is for more than 12 months, 2 times the amount for 12 months.

Partial months shall be considered as whole months in the calculation of the required tax and in the determination of the length of time between the application for a registration and the owner's next birthday. The tax required for that registration shall be rounded off to whole dollars as provided in section 801.

(7) A certificate of title shall remain valid until canceled by the secretary of state for cause or upon a transfer of an interest shown on the certificate of title.

1           (8) The secretary of state, upon request, shall issue special  
2 registration for commercial vehicles, valid for 6 months after the  
3 date of issue, if the full registration fee exceeds \$50.00, on the  
4 payment of 1/2 the full registration fee and a service charge as  
5 enumerated in section 802(1).

6           (9) The secretary of state may issue a special registration  
7 for each of the following:

8           (a) A new vehicle purchased or leased outside of this state  
9 and delivered in this state to the purchaser or lessee by the  
10 manufacturer of that vehicle for removal to a place outside of this  
11 state, if a certification is made that the vehicle will be  
12 primarily used, stored, and registered outside of this state and  
13 will not be returned to this state by the purchaser or lessee for  
14 use or storage.

15          (b) A vehicle purchased or leased in this state and delivered  
16 to the purchaser or lessee by a dealer or by the owner of the  
17 vehicle for removal to a place outside of this state, if a  
18 certification is made that the vehicle will be primarily used,  
19 stored, and registered outside of this state and will not be  
20 returned to this state by the purchaser or lessee for use or  
21 storage.

22          (10) A special registration issued under subsection (9) is  
23 valid for not more than 30 days after the date of issuance, and a  
24 fee shall be collected for each special registration as provided in  
25 section 802(3). The special registration may be in the form  
26 determined by the secretary of state. If a dealer makes a retail  
27 sale or lease of a vehicle to a purchaser or lessee who is



1 qualified and eligible to obtain a special registration, the dealer  
2 shall apply for the special registration for the purchaser or  
3 lessee. If a person other than a dealer sells or leases a vehicle  
4 to a purchaser or lessee who is qualified and eligible to obtain a  
5 special registration, the purchaser or lessee shall appear in  
6 person, or by a person exercising the purchaser's or lessee's power  
7 of attorney, at an office of the secretary of state and furnish a  
8 certification that the person is the bona fide purchaser or lessee  
9 or that the person has granted the power of attorney, together with  
10 other forms required for the issuance of the special registration  
11 and provide the secretary of state with proof that the vehicle is  
12 covered by a Michigan no-fault insurance policy issued ~~pursuant to~~  
13 **UNDER** section 3101 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL  
14 500.3101, or proof that the vehicle is covered by a policy of  
15 insurance issued by an insurer ~~pursuant to~~ **UNDER** section 3163 of  
16 the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3163. The  
17 certification required in this subsection shall contain all of the  
18 following:

19 (a) The address of the purchaser or lessee.

20 (b) A statement that the vehicle is purchased or leased for  
21 registration outside of this state.

22 (c) A statement that the vehicle shall be primarily used,  
23 stored, and registered outside of this state.

24 (d) The name of the jurisdiction in which the vehicle is to be  
25 registered.

26 (e) Other information requested by the secretary of state.

27 (11) In the case of a commercial vehicle, trailer, or

1 semitrailer issued a registration under the international  
2 registration plan, the secretary of state in mutual agreement with  
3 the owner may assign or reassign the expiration date of the  
4 registration. However, the expiration date agreed to shall be  
5 either March 31, June 30, September 30, or December 31 **OR BEGINNING**  
6 **ON FEBRUARY 19, 2019, THE LAST DAY OF A CALENDAR MONTH.** Renewals  
7 expiring on or after ~~September 30, 1993~~ **JUNE 30, 2020** shall be for  
8 a minimum of at least 12 months if there is a change in the  
9 established expiration date.

10 (12) The expiration date for a multiyear registration issued  
11 for a leased vehicle shall be the date the lease expires but shall  
12 not be for a period longer than 24 months.

13 Sec. 698. (1) A motor vehicle may be equipped with not more  
14 than 2 side cowl or fender lamps that emit an amber or white light  
15 without glare.

16 (2) A motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than 1  
17 running board courtesy lamp on each side that emits a white or  
18 amber light without glare.

19 (3) Backing lights of red, amber, or white may be mounted on  
20 the rear of a motor vehicle if the switch controlling the light is  
21 so arranged that the light may be turned on only if the vehicle is  
22 in reverse gear. The backing lights when unlighted shall be covered  
23 or otherwise arranged so as not to reflect objectionable glare in  
24 the eyes of an operator of a vehicle approaching from the rear.

25 (4) Unless both covered and unlit, a vehicle operated on the  
26 highways of this state shall not be equipped with a lamp or a part  
27 designed to be a reflector unless expressly required or permitted

1 by this chapter or that meets the standards prescribed in 49 CFR  
2 571.108. A lamp or a part designed to be a reflector, if visible  
3 from the front, shall display or reflect a white or amber light; if  
4 visible from either side, shall display or reflect an amber or red  
5 light; and if visible from the rear, shall display or reflect a red  
6 light, except as otherwise provided by law.

7 (5) The use or possession of flashing, oscillating, or  
8 rotating lights of any color is prohibited except as otherwise  
9 provided by law, or under the following circumstances:

10 (a) A police vehicle shall be equipped with flashing,  
11 rotating, or oscillating red or blue lights, for use in the  
12 performance of police duties.

13 (b) A fire vehicle or ambulance available for public use or  
14 for use of the United States, this state, or any unit of this  
15 state, whether publicly or privately owned, shall be equipped with  
16 flashing, rotating, or oscillating red lights and used as required  
17 for safety.

18 (c) An authorized emergency vehicle may be equipped with  
19 flashing, rotating, or oscillating red lights for use when  
20 responding to an emergency call if when in use the flashing,  
21 rotating, or oscillating red lights are clearly visible in a 360-  
22 degree arc from a distance of 500 feet when in use. A person  
23 operating lights under this subdivision at any time other than when  
24 responding to an emergency call is guilty of a misdemeanor.

25 (d) Flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber or green lights,  
26 placed in a position as to be visible throughout an arc of 360  
27 degrees, shall be used by a state, county, or municipal vehicle

1 engaged in the removal of ice, snow, or other material from the  
2 highway and in other operations designed to control ice and snow,  
3 or engaged in other non-winter operations. This subdivision does  
4 not prohibit the use of a flashing, rotating, or oscillating green  
5 light by a fire service.

6 (e) A vehicle used for the cleanup of spills or a necessary  
7 emergency response action taken pursuant to state or federal law or  
8 a vehicle operated by an employee of the department of natural  
9 resources or the department of environmental quality that responds  
10 to a spill, emergency response action, complaint, or compliance  
11 activity may be equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating  
12 amber or green lights. The lights described in this subdivision  
13 shall not be activated unless the vehicle is at the scene of a  
14 spill, emergency response action, complaint, or compliance  
15 activity. This subdivision does not prohibit the use of a flashing,  
16 rotating, or oscillating green light by a fire service.

17 (f) A vehicle to perform public utility service, a vehicle  
18 owned or leased by and licensed as a business for use in the  
19 collection and hauling of refuse, an automobile service car or  
20 wrecker, ~~a vehicle engaged in authorized highway repair or~~  
21 ~~maintenance,~~ a vehicle of a peace officer, a vehicle operated by a  
22 rural letter carrier or a person under contract to deliver  
23 newspapers or other publications by motor route, a vehicle utilized  
24 for snow or ice removal under section 682c, a private security  
25 guard vehicle as authorized in subsection (7), a motor vehicle  
26 while engaged in escorting or transporting an oversize load that  
27 has been issued a permit by the state transportation department or

1 a local authority with respect to highways under its jurisdiction,  
2 a vehicle owned by the ~~national guard~~ **NATIONAL GUARD** or a United  
3 States military vehicle while traveling under the appropriate  
4 recognized military authority, a motor vehicle while towing an  
5 implement of husbandry, or an implement of husbandry may be  
6 equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber lights.

7 However, a wrecker may be equipped with flashing, rotating, or  
8 oscillating red lights that shall be activated only when the  
9 wrecker is engaged in removing or assisting a vehicle at the scene  
10 of a traffic accident or disablement. The flashing, rotating, or  
11 oscillating amber lights shall not be activated except when the  
12 warning produced by the lights is required for public safety. **A**

13 **VEHICLE ENGAGED IN AUTHORIZED HIGHWAY REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE MAY BE**  
14 **EQUIPPED WITH FLASHING, ROTATING, OR OSCILLATING AMBER OR GREEN**  
15 **LIGHTS. THIS SUBDIVISION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE OPERATOR OF A**  
16 **VEHICLE UTILIZED FOR SNOW OR ICE REMOVAL UNDER SECTION 682C THAT IS**  
17 **EQUIPPED WITH FLASHING, ROTATING, OR OSCILLATING AMBER LIGHTS FROM**  
18 **ACTIVATING THE FLASHING, ROTATING, OR OSCILLATING AMBER LIGHTS WHEN**  
19 **THAT VEHICLE IS TRAVELING BETWEEN LOCATIONS AT WHICH IT IS BEING**  
20 **UTILIZED FOR SNOW OR ICE REMOVAL.**

21 (g) A vehicle engaged in leading or escorting a funeral  
22 procession or any vehicle that is part of a funeral procession may  
23 be equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating purple or amber  
24 lights that shall not be activated except during a funeral  
25 procession.

26 (h) An authorized emergency vehicle may display flashing,  
27 rotating, or oscillating white lights in conjunction with an

1 authorized emergency light as prescribed in this section.

2 (i) A private motor vehicle of a physician responding to an  
3 emergency call may be equipped with and the physician may use  
4 flashing, rotating, or oscillating red lights mounted on the roof  
5 section of the vehicle either as a permanent installation or by  
6 means of magnets or suction cups and clearly visible in a 360-  
7 degree arc from a distance of 500 feet when in use. The physician  
8 shall first obtain written authorization from the county sheriff.

9 (j) A public transit vehicle may be equipped with a flashing,  
10 oscillating, or rotating light mounted on the roof of the vehicle  
11 approximately 6 feet from the rear of the vehicle that displays a  
12 white light to the front, side, and rear of the vehicle, which  
13 light may be actuated by the driver for use only in inclement  
14 weather such as fog, rain, or snow, when boarding or discharging  
15 passengers, from 1/2 hour before sunset until 1/2 hour after  
16 sunrise, or when conditions hinder the visibility of the public  
17 transit vehicle. As used in this subdivision, "public transit  
18 vehicle" means a motor vehicle, other than a station wagon or  
19 passenger van, with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than  
20 10,000 pounds.

21 (k) A person engaged in the manufacture, sale, or repair of  
22 flashing, rotating, or oscillating lights governed by this  
23 subsection may possess the lights for the purpose of employment,  
24 but shall not activate the lights upon the highway unless  
25 authorized to do so under subsection (6).

26 (l) A vehicle used as part of a neighborhood watch program may  
27 be equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber lights,

1 if the vehicle is clearly identified as a neighborhood watch  
2 vehicle and the neighborhood watch program is working in  
3 cooperation with local law enforcement. The lights described in  
4 this subdivision shall not be activated when the vehicle is not  
5 being used to perform neighborhood watch program duties.

6 (6) A person shall not sell, loan, or otherwise furnish a  
7 flashing, rotating, or oscillating blue or red light designed  
8 primarily for installation on an authorized emergency vehicle to a  
9 person except a police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, authorized  
10 physician, volunteer or paid fire fighter, volunteer ambulance  
11 driver, licensed ambulance driver or attendant of ~~the~~**THIS** state, a  
12 county or municipality within ~~the~~**THIS** state, a person engaged in  
13 the business of operating an ambulance or wrecker service, or a  
14 federally recognized nonprofit charitable organization that owns  
15 and operates an emergency support vehicle used exclusively for  
16 emergencies. This subsection does not prohibit an authorized  
17 **EMERGENCY** vehicle, equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating  
18 blue or red lights, from being operated by a person other than a  
19 person described in this section if the person receives  
20 authorization to operate the **AUTHORIZED** emergency vehicle from a  
21 police officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, authorized physician,  
22 volunteer or paid fire fighter, volunteer ambulance driver,  
23 licensed ambulance driver or attendant, a person operating an  
24 ambulance or wrecker service, or a federally recognized nonprofit  
25 charitable organization that owns and operates an emergency support  
26 vehicle used exclusively for emergencies, except that the  
27 authorization shall not permit the person to operate lights as

1 described in subsection (5) (a), (b), (c), (i), or (j), or to  
2 exercise the privileges described in section 603. A person who  
3 operates an authorized emergency vehicle in violation of the terms  
4 of an authorization is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by  
5 imprisonment for not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than  
6 \$100.00, or both.

7 (7) A private motor vehicle of a security guard agency or  
8 alarm company licensed under the private security business and  
9 security alarm act, 1968 PA 330, MCL 338.1051 to 338.1092, may  
10 display flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber lights. The  
11 flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber lights shall not be  
12 activated on a public highway when a vehicle is in motion.

13 (8) This section does not prohibit, restrict, or limit the use  
14 of lights authorized or required under sections 697, 697a, and  
15 698a.

16 (9) A person who operates a vehicle in violation of subsection  
17 (1), (2), (3), or (4) is responsible for a civil infraction.

18 Sec. 717. (1) The total outside width of a vehicle or the load  
19 on a vehicle shall not exceed 96 inches, except as otherwise  
20 provided in this section.

21 (2) A person may operate or move an implement of husbandry of  
22 any width on a highway as required, designed, and intended for  
23 farming operations, including the movement of implements of  
24 husbandry being driven or towed and not hauled on a trailer,  
25 without obtaining a special permit for an excessively wide vehicle  
26 or load under section 725. The operation or movement of the  
27 implement of husbandry shall be in a manner so as to minimize the



1 interruption of traffic flow. A person shall not operate or move an  
2 implement of husbandry to the left of the center of the roadway  
3 from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, under  
4 the conditions specified in section 639, or at any time visibility  
5 is substantially diminished due to weather conditions. A person  
6 operating or moving an implement of husbandry shall follow all  
7 traffic regulations.

8 (3) The total outside width of the load of a vehicle hauling  
9 concrete pipe, ferrous pipe, agricultural products, or unprocessed  
10 logs, pulpwood, or wood bolts shall not exceed 108 inches.

11 (4) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (5) and this  
12 subsection, if a vehicle that is equipped with pneumatic tires is  
13 operated on a highway, the maximum width from the outside of 1  
14 wheel and tire to the outside of the opposite wheel and tire shall  
15 not exceed 102 inches, and the outside width of the body of the  
16 vehicle or the load on the vehicle shall not exceed 96 inches.  
17 However, a truck and trailer or a tractor and semitrailer  
18 combination hauling pulpwood or unprocessed logs may be operated  
19 with a maximum width of not to exceed 108 inches in accordance with  
20 a special permit issued under section 725.

21 (5) The total outside body width of a school bus, a bus, a  
22 trailer coach, a trailer, a semitrailer, a truck camper, or a motor  
23 home shall not exceed 102 inches. However, an appurtenance of a  
24 school bus, a trailer coach, a truck camper, or a motor home that  
25 extends not more than 6 inches beyond the total outside body width  
26 ~~is~~ **DOES** not ~~a violation of~~ **VIOLATE** this section.

27 (6) A vehicle shall not extend beyond the center line of a

1 state trunk line highway except when authorized by law. Except as  
2 provided in subsection (2), if the width of the vehicle makes it  
3 impossible to stay away from the center line, a permit shall be  
4 obtained under section 725.

5 (7) The director of the state transportation department, a  
6 county road commission, or a local authority may designate a  
7 highway under the agency's jurisdiction as a highway on which a  
8 person may operate a vehicle or vehicle combination that is not  
9 more than 102 inches in width, including load, the operation of  
10 which would otherwise be prohibited by this section. The agency  
11 making the designation may require that the owner or lessee of the  
12 vehicle or of each vehicle in the vehicle combination secure a  
13 permit before operating the vehicle or vehicle combination. This  
14 subsection does not restrict the issuance of a special permit under  
15 section 725 for the operation of a vehicle or vehicle combination.  
16 This subsection does not permit the operation of a vehicle or  
17 vehicle combination described in section 722a carrying a load  
18 described in that section if the operation would otherwise result  
19 in a violation of that section.

20 (8) The director of the state transportation department, a  
21 county road commission, or a local authority may issue a special  
22 permit under section 725 to a person operating a vehicle or vehicle  
23 combination if all of the following are met:

24 (a) The vehicle or vehicle combination, including load, is not  
25 more than 106 inches in width.

26 (b) The vehicle or vehicle combination is used solely to move  
27 new motor vehicles or parts or components of new motor vehicles

1 between facilities that meet all of the following:

2 (i) New motor vehicles or parts or components of new motor  
3 vehicles are manufactured or assembled in the facilities.

4 (ii) The facilities are located within 10 miles of each other.

5 (iii) The facilities are located within the city limits of the  
6 same city and the city is located in a county that has a population  
7 of more than 400,000 and less than 500,000 according to the most  
8 recent federal decennial census.

9 (c) The special permit and any renewals are each issued for a  
10 term of 1 year or less.

11 (9) A person may move or operate a boat lift of any width or  
12 an oversized hydraulic boat trailer owned and operated by a marina  
13 or watercraft dealer in a commercial boat storage operation on a  
14 highway under a multiple trip permit issued on an annual basis as  
15 specified under section 725. The operation or movement of the boat  
16 lift or trailer shall minimize the interruption of traffic flow. It  
17 shall be used exclusively to transport a boat between a place of  
18 storage and a marina or in and around a marina. A boat lift or  
19 oversized hydraulic boat trailer may be operated, drawn, or towed  
20 on a street or highway only when transporting a vessel between a  
21 body of water and a place of storage or when traveling empty to or  
22 from transporting a vessel. A boat lift shall not be operated on  
23 limited access highways. A person moving or operating a boat lift  
24 or oversized hydraulic boat trailer shall follow all traffic  
25 regulations and shall ensure the route selected has adequate power  
26 and utility wire height clearance.

27 **(10) A PERSON MAY OPERATE OR MOVE A TRUCK TO WHICH A SNOWPLOW**

1 BLADE THAT IS WIDER THAN 96 INCHES BUT NO MORE THAN 132 INCHES WIDE  
 2 IS MOUNTED WITHOUT OBTAINING A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR AN EXCESSIVELY  
 3 WIDE VEHICLE OR LOAD UNDER SECTION 725. THIS SUBSECTION ONLY  
 4 APPLIES BETWEEN OCTOBER 1 AND MAY 1 OF EACH YEAR. A PERSON  
 5 OPERATING A TRUCK DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL MINIMIZE THE  
 6 OVERWIDTH CONDITION OF THE SNOWPLOW BLADE WHEN NOT ENGAGED IN SNOW  
 7 REMOVAL BY ANGLING THE PLOW BLADE OR ANY OTHER METHOD. THIS  
 8 SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON OPERATING CONSTRUCTION  
 9 EQUIPMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL.

10 (11) ~~(10)~~—A person who violates this section is responsible  
 11 for a civil infraction. The owner of the vehicle may be charged  
 12 with a violation of this section.

13 Sec. 808. Any application for the placement or discharge of a  
 14 lien on a motor vehicle ~~as provided for in~~ **UNDER** section 238 ~~of~~  
 15 ~~this act~~ shall be accompanied by a fee of \$1.00. **BEGINNING ON**  
 16 **FEBRUARY 19, 2019, THE FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE**  
 17 **CREDITED TO THE TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION COLLECTION FUND**  
 18 **CREATED IN SECTION 810B.**

19 Enacting section 1. Enacting section 1 of 2018 PA 280 is  
 20 repealed.

21 Enacting section 2. Sections 224, 226, 698, 717, and 808 of  
 22 the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.224, 257.226,  
 23 257.698, 257.717, and 257.808, as amended by this amendatory act,  
 24 take effect 90 days after the date this amendatory act is enacted  
 25 into law.