SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 1076

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending sections 636 and 637 (MCL 257.636 and 257.637).

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 THE 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.

- 1 (b) Except when overtaking and passing on the right is
- 2 permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give way to the
- 3 right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible signal and
- 4 shall not increase the speed of his or her vehicle until completely
- 5 passed by the overtaking vehicle.
- 6 (2) THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE
- 7 PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION SHALL PASS AT A SAFE DISTANCE OF
- 8 AT LEAST 5 FEET TO THE LEFT OF THAT BICYCLE, AND WHEN SAFELY CLEAR
- 9 OF THE OVERTAKEN BICYCLE SHALL TAKE UP A POSITION AS NEAR THE
- 10 RIGHT-HAND EDGE OF THE MAIN TRAVELED PORTION OF THE HIGHWAY AS IS
- 11 PRACTICABLE.
- 12 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 640, IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO, THE
- 13 DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE PROCEEDING IN THE
- 14 SAME DIRECTION MAY OVERTAKE AND PASS THE BICYCLE IN A NO-PASSING
- 15 ZONE.
- 16 (4) $\frac{(2)}{}$ A person who violates this section is responsible for
- 17 a civil infraction.
- 18 Sec. 637. (1) The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass
- 19 upon the right of another vehicle only if 1 or more of the
- 20 following conditions exist:
- 21 (a) When the vehicle overtaken is making or about to make a
- 22 left turn.
- 23 (b) Upon a street or highway with unobstructed pavement not
- 24 occupied by parked vehicles of sufficient width for 2 or more lines
- 25 of moving vehicles in each direction and when the vehicles are
- 26 moving in substantially continuous lanes of traffic.
- (c) Upon a 1-way street, or upon a roadway on which traffic is

- 1 restricted to 1 direction of movement, where the roadway is free
- 2 from obstructions and of sufficient width for 2 or more lines of
- 3 moving vehicles and when the vehicles are moving in substantially
- 4 continuous lanes of traffic.
- 5 (2) The driver of a vehicle may overtake and pass another
- 6 vehicle upon the right only under conditions permitting the
- 7 overtaking and passing in safety. The driver of a vehicle shall not
- 8 overtake and pass another vehicle upon the right by driving off the
- 9 pavement or main-traveled portion of the roadway.
- 10 (3) THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OVERTAKING A BICYCLE SHALL,
- 11 WHEN OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY THIS SECTION, PASS AT A SAFE DISTANCE
- 12 OF AT LEAST 5 FEET TO THE RIGHT OF THAT BICYCLE.
- (4) (3)—A person who violates this section is responsible for
- 14 a civil infraction.
- 15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 16 after the date it is enacted into law.