

Senate Bill 373

A bill to amend 1956 PA 62, entitled

"An act to authorize the director of the department of state police to promulgate a uniform traffic code; to authorize a city, township, or village to adopt the uniform traffic code by reference without publication in full; and to prescribe criminal penalties and civil sanctions for violation of the code,"

by amending section 1 (MCL 257.951), as amended by 1993 PA 225.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. (1) A city, township, or village may adopt by ref-
2 erence a code or ordinance for the regulation of traffic within
3 cities, townships, and villages ~~which~~ THAT has been promulgated
4 by the director of the department of state police. The director
5 of the department of state police may promulgate a uniform traf-
6 fic code pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
7 ~~Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being~~
8 ~~sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1969~~
9 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328.

1 (2) A city, township, or village, with the consent of, or at
2 the request of, a person who is in charge of a private road or
3 parking lot, whether or not that road or parking lot is open to
4 the general public, may contract with that person for the city,
5 township, or village to enforce provisions of the uniform traffic
6 code or ordinance adopted under this section on that private road
7 or parking lot. As used in this subsection, "person" means an
8 individual, corporation, association, partnership, or other legal
9 entity.

10 (3) A uniform traffic code promulgated by the director of
11 the department of state police under this section shall specify
12 whether a person who violates a particular provision of the code
13 is guilty of a misdemeanor or is responsible for a civil
14 infraction. The director may establish civil sanctions for civil
15 infractions, except that a civil sanction in excess of that pre-
16 scribed in the vehicle code is in conflict with that act and is
17 void to the extent of the conflict. The uniform traffic code
18 shall not impose a criminal penalty for an act or omission
19 ~~which~~ THAT is a civil infraction under the vehicle code.

20 (4) Violation of a provision designated a civil infraction
21 in the uniform traffic code shall be processed in the same manner
22 as a civil infraction under the vehicle code.

23 (5) Notwithstanding the requirements of the uniform traffic
24 code, a ~~handicapped~~ [~~parking sign~~ SIGN
DESIGNATING A PARKING SPACE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES] shall
25 be 12 inches by 18 inches or larger, and shall be either blue or
26 white and at a minimum contain the international handicapped

1 symbol in contrasting colors of either blue or white in the
2 center of the sign.

3 (6) The provisions of the uniform traffic code promulgated
4 pursuant to this act that relate to driving while under the
5 influence of an alcoholic beverage or driving with impaired abil-
6 ity shall be identical to the provisions of sections 625 to 625m
7 of the Michigan vehicle code, ~~Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of~~
8 ~~1949, as amended, being sections 257.625 to 257.625m of the~~
9 ~~Michigan Compiled Laws~~ 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.625 TO 257.625M.

10 (7) For purposes of this section, "vehicle code" means the
11 Michigan vehicle code, ~~Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949,~~
12 ~~as amended, being sections 257.1 to 257.923 of the Michigan~~
13 ~~Compiled Laws~~ 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 TO 257.923.