

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5639

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled  
"Michigan vehicle code,"  
(MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 217i.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1        SEC. 217I. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS  
2 ACT, THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL, UPON AN APPLICANT'S PAYMENT OF  
3 THE PROPER FEES AND SUBMISSION OF ALL DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY THE  
4 SECRETARY OF STATE, ISSUE A VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER IN THE  
5 SAME MANNER AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 230 AND A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE  
6 TO AN ASSEMBLED VEHICLE THAT SATISFIES ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS  
7 OF THIS ACT, IF THE ASSEMBLED VEHICLE CONTAINS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING  
8 EQUIPMENT:

9        (A) HEADLIGHTS. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "HEADLIGHTS"

1 INCLUDES 1 HEADLIGHT ON EACH SIDE, AND HIGH- AND LOW-BEAM  
2 HEADLIGHTS.

3 (B) FRONT AND REAR TURN SIGNALS.

4 (C) AT LEAST 1 TAILLIGHT. IF THE VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH 2  
5 TAILLIGHTS, BOTH TAILLIGHTS SHALL BE IN WORKING ORDER.

6 (D) REGISTRATION PLATE LIGHT.

7 (E) BRAKE LIGHTS.

8 (F) HORN.

9 (G) BRIGHT LIGHT INDICATOR.

10 (H) WINDSHIELD WIPERS.

11 (I) WINDSHIELD WASHERS.

12 (J) BRAKE EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 705.

13 (K) SAFETY BELTS. THIS SUBDIVISION ONLY APPLIES TO 1965 AND  
14 NEWER MODEL VEHICLES.

15 (L) SAFETY GLASS WINDSHIELD. THE WINDSHIELD REQUIRED UNDER  
16 THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT BE MADE OF PLEXIGLASS, SHALL BE OF A  
17 SUFFICIENT SIZE TO PROTECT THE DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE AND  
18 PASSENGERS, SHALL BE FREE OF ANY CRACKS OR OBSTRUCTIONS, AND SHALL  
19 BE MADE OF A TRANSPARENT MATERIAL.

20 (M) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION (N),  
21 ADJUSTABLE OUTSIDE REARVIEW MIRROR ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE.

22 (N) OUTSIDE REARVIEW MIRROR ON EACH SIDE OF THE VEHICLE. THIS  
23 SUBDIVISION ONLY APPLIES TO A TRUCK WITH A HALF-TON OR MORE  
24 CAPACITY.

25 (O) BUMPERS. THIS SUBDIVISION ONLY APPLIES TO A PASSENGER  
26 VEHICLE. THE BUMPERS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE  
27 BETWEEN 14 AND 22 INCHES ABOVE THE GROUND WHEN THE VEHICLE IS NOT

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1 IN 4-WHEEL DRIVE.

2 (P) TIRES. THE TIRES REQUIRED BY THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL HAVE  
3 2/32-INCH TREAD, SHALL NOT HAVE EXPOSED CORD OR TREAD SEPARATION,  
4 AND SHALL BE APPROVED FOR USE BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
5 TRANSPORTATION.

6 (Q) EXHAUST. THE EXHAUST REQUIRED BY THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE  
7 IN GOOD WORKING ORDER AND SHALL NOT PRODUCE EXCESSIVE NOISE. IF THE  
8 ORIGINAL DESIGN OF THE EXHAUST INCLUDED A TAILPIPE AND RESONATOR,  
9 THE EXHAUST SHALL INCLUDE A TAILPIPE AND RESONATOR.

10 (R) DIFFERENTIAL GEAR.

<<(2) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL CONDUCT A SAFETY STUDY  
FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31,  
2020 OF VEHICLES FOR WHICH A VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND  
CERTIFICATE OF TITLE MAY BE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION. THE SAFETY STUDY  
SHALL INCLUDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

(A) THE NUMBER OF TRAFFIC CRASH FATALITIES OCCURRING ON PUBLIC  
ROADWAYS THAT INVOLVED 1 OR MORE OF THE VEHICLES DESCRIBED IN THIS  
SECTION.

(B) THE NUMBER OF SERIOUS INJURIES SUSTAINED IN TRAFFIC CRASHES  
OCCURRING ON PUBLIC ROADWAYS THAT INVOLVED 1 OR MORE OF THE VEHICLES  
DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

(C) ANY OTHER RELEVANT SAFETY DATA GATHERED DURING THE PERIOD OF  
THE STUDY.

(D) ANY SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE  
BELIEVES WILL HELP INCREASE TRAFFIC SAFETY FOR THE VEHICLES DESCRIBED IN  
THIS SECTION.

(3) THE STUDY REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (2) SHALL BE FILED WITH THE  
GOVERNOR, THE SENATE MAJORITY LEADER, AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2021.>>

11 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3),  
12 "ASSEMBLED VEHICLE" MEANS 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

13 (A) A VEHICLE THAT IS BUILT FROM NEW OR USED MATERIALS OR  
14 PARTS BY A PERSON NOT RECOGNIZED AS A MANUFACTURER.

15 (B) A VEHICLE THAT HAS BEEN ALTERED OR MODIFIED TO THE EXTENT  
16 THAT IT NO LONGER REFLECTS ITS ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER CONFIGURATION.

17 (C) A VEHICLE THAT HAS HAD ITS BODY REPLACED WITH A DIFFERENT  
18 STYLE OF BODY UNIT FROM ANOTHER VEHICLE.

19 (D) A VEHICLE THAT HAS BEEN ASSEMBLED FROM A KIT.

20 (E) AN OFF-ROAD VEHICLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE ORIGINAL  
21 MANUFACTURER'S CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN SPECIFIES THAT THE VEHICLE IS  
22 AN OFF-ROAD VEHICLE.

23 (5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "ASSEMBLED VEHICLE" DOES NOT  
24 INCLUDE EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

25 (A) A MILITARY SURPLUS VEHICLE DESIGNATED BY THE FEDERAL  
26 GOVERNMENT AS OFF-ROAD USE ONLY.

27 (B) A GRAY MARKET OFF-ROAD MINITRUCK.

1           (C) AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE THAT HAS 4 WHEELS AND IS EQUIPPED  
2 WITH A STRADDLE SEAT.

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