Legislative Analysis



RIGHT-OF-WAY WHEN VEHICLE IS TURNING LEFT

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House Bill 4036 as introduced Sponsor: Rep. Scott VanSingel Committee: Transportation

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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4036 would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to add a provision to govern who has the right-of-way when a vehicle is turning left across a lane of oncoming traffic somewhere other than at an intersection. (The section amended by the bill already addresses left turns by a vehicle at an intersection.)

Under the bill, the driver of a vehicle not in an intersection who intends to turn left across a lane of oncoming traffic would have to yield the right-of-way to a vehicle approaching from the opposite direction that is close enough to create an immediate hazard, but after yielding and signaling as required under the act, the driver could make the left turn and the drivers of all other vehicles approaching from the opposite direction would have to yield the right-of-way to the vehicle making the left turn.

A person who violated these provisions would be responsible for a civil infraction.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

A fiscal analysis is in progress.

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