

HOUSE BILL 634 REGULAR SESSION 2019-2020

History

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Short Title:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely.

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In the Senate

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DESCRIPTION:

Title 75/Permitting Organized Motorcycle Processions

A. SYNOPSIS:

Amends the Vehicle Code (Title 75) to provide rules for organized motorcycle processions

B. BILL SUMMARY:

HB 634 amends several sections of the Vehicle Code (Title 75) as described below:

Except in the City of Philadelphia and the City of Pittsburgh §3102(2) (Obedience to authorized persons directing traffic) is amended to authorize an appropriately designated member of an organized motorcycle procession to direct, control, or regulate traffic.

The bill defines “organized motorcycle procession” as a group of no fewer than 10 motorcycle drivers, not including the lead or trailing vehicle or motorcycle, which meets all of the following criteria:

- The procession must be conducted between the hours of 8 AM and sunset;
- The procession must be sponsored by a corporation or a nonprofit organization;
- The procession must be conducted for memorial or charitable purposes;
- At least 10% of the total number of motorcycle drivers in the procession must wear a Class 2 yellow reflective vest approved for use by the American National Standards Institute.
- The sponsor of the procession must notify the affected municipalities of the planned procession no later than 14 days in advance.

New §3107.1 (Drivers in organized motorcycle processions) is added to allow vehicles or motorcycles, except in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, to proceed past a red light or stop sign if the lead vehicle/motorcycle started through the light while it was green, or came to a complete stop at the stop sign before proceeding. The new section also:

- Requires a lead and trailing vehicle or motorcycle to be equipped with and display a flashing yellow light, lighted head lamps, and emergency flashers. All other participants are required to have lighted head lamps and emergency flashers;
- Requires participants to bear a yellow bandana or cloth on their motorcycle for the purpose of designating that rider as a part of the procession; and
- Requires participants to give right-of-way to emergency vehicles

§3310(c) (Following too closely) is amended to exclude participants in an organized motorcycle procession from having to allow enough space in between each vehicle so any other vehicle may

enter that space safely. Organized motorcycle processions shall not be interrupted by any vehicle other than an emergency vehicle.

The bill was amended on the House Floor to establish the exceptions with respect to Philadelphia and Pittsburgh; and to require a procession sponsor to give 14 days' advance notice of the procession to affected municipalities.

Effective date: 60 days

C. CURRENT LAW:

According to §3102(2) (Obedience to authorized persons directing traffic) only funeral procession personnel are authorized to direct, control, or regulate traffic; and under §3310(c) (Following too closely) only funeral processions are exempt from following another vehicle too closely.

There is currently no law that addresses organized motorcycle processions, the general rules they must follow, or the visual signals required or authorized.

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HOUSE BILL 26 REGULAR SESSION 2019-2020

History

Sponsors:

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Short Title:

An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for definitions, for manufacturer's duty for refund or replacement and for presumption of a reasonable number of attempts.

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In the Senate
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DESCRIPTION:

Automobile Lemon Law/expands coverage to motorcycles

A. SYNOPSIS:

Amends the Automobile Lemon Law by extending its protections to the lease/purchase of new motorcycles.

B. BILL SUMMARY:

HB 26 broadens the scope of the Automobile Lemon Law to include motorcycles:

- The 30 day “in-shop” period for Lemon Law applicability shall not apply when a motorcycle is being stored under contract at a manufacturer’s authorized service and repair facility. This provision applies even if repairs to correct a nonconformity are made during the storage period if a purchaser waives the 30-day period in writing or enters into a separate contract for storage.
- A “modification or alteration” shall include any modification made to a motorcycle after the date of delivery to the purchaser.
- The reasonable presumption of attempts (3) and the 30-day “in shop” period that trigger Lemon Law applicability shall only apply when all attempts to correct a nonconformity in a motorcycle are made by the same manufacturer’s authorized service and repair facility; or if a purchaser provides a complete set of service records to an authorized service and repair facility that has not previously attempted to correct a nonconformity.

Effective date: 60 days.

C. CURRENT LAW:

The Automobile Lemon Law (Act 28 of 1984) was enacted to protect customers who buy or lease new motor vehicles that are faulty. The law requires that manufacturers fix any problems or defects that may arise under the manufacturer’s warranty which are reported by the consumer within one year or 12,000 miles after purchase, whichever comes first. If the manufacturer fails to repair or correct the problem in 3 attempts or the vehicle has been out of service for a cumulative total of 30 days or more, the manufacturer must replace the vehicle or refund the consumer for the full price, minus a limited amount for use.

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