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Yeager and Frederick)



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section nine, article seven, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to restricting the use of marked left turn lanes on roadways.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nine, article seven, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. DRIVING ON RIGHT SIDE OF ROADWAY, OVERTAKING AND PASSING, ETC.

§17C-7-9. Driving on roadways laned for traffic.

- 1 Whenever any roadway has been divided into two or
- 2 more clearly marked lanes for traffic the following rules
- 3 in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply:
- 4 (a) A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practicable
- 5 entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from
- 6 such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such
- 7 movement can be made with safety.
- 8 (b) Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes
- 9 a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane which is
- 10 clearly marked as a left turn lane except in preparation for
- 11 a left turn or where such center lane is at the time allocated
- 12 exclusively to traffic moving in the direction the vehicle is

13 proceeding and is signposted to give notice of such
14 allocation.

15 (c) Official signs may be erected directing slow-
16 moving traffic to use a designated lane or designating
17 those lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular
18 direction regardless of the center of the roadway and
19 drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such
20 sign.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Kandy Schonover
Chairman Senate Committee

Nick Tentasias
Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.
Harrell E. Holmes
Clerk of the Senate

Bryony M. King
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Earl Ray Tomblin
President of the Senate

[Signature]
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 18th
day of April, 1997.

[Signature]
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date 4/14/97

Time 3:05 pm