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SENATE DRS35149-ML-34 (11/24)

Short Title: Left Turn on Red/DDI.

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Sponsors: Senator Tarte (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW LEFT TURNS AT TRAFFIC CONTROL LIGHTS EMITTING A
3 STEADY RED LIGHT ON DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGES UNDER
4 CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 20-158(b)(2) reads as rewritten:

7 "(b) Control of Vehicles at Intersections. –

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9 (2) a. When a traffic signal is emitting a steady red circular light
10 controlling traffic approaching an intersection, an approaching
11 vehicle facing the red light shall come to a stop and shall not enter
12 the intersection. After coming to a complete stop and unless
13 prohibited by an appropriate sign, that approaching vehicle may
14 make a (i) right ~~turn~~ or (ii) left turn in accordance with
15 sub-subdivision b1. of this subdivision.

16 b. Any vehicle that turns right or left under this subdivision shall yield
17 the right-of-way to:

- 18 1. Other traffic and pedestrians using the intersection; and
- 19 2. Pedestrians who are moving towards the intersection, who are
20 in reasonably close proximity to the intersection, and who are
21 preparing to cross in front of the traffic that is required to stop
22 at the red light.

23 b1. In addition to the requirements listed in sub-subdivision a. of this
24 subdivision, a vehicle facing a red light may turn left under this
25 subdivision only if either of the following conditions is satisfied:

- 26 1. The vehicle is exiting an interstate and entering a diverging
27 diamond interchange with traffic travelling from right to left.
- 28 2. The vehicle is entering an interstate and exiting a diverging
29 diamond interchange with traffic traveling from right to left.

30 c. Failure to yield to a pedestrian under this subdivision shall be an
31 infraction, and the court may assess a penalty of not more than five
32 hundred dollars (\$500.00) and not less than one hundred dollars
33 (\$100.00).

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35 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2015, and applies to offenses
36 committed on or after that date.

