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To: Judiciary, Division B

SENATE BILL NO. 2384

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-3-309, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES MOTORCYCLES, ELECTRIC
3 BICYCLES AND BICYCLES MAY PROCEED THROUGH INTERSECTIONS OR MAKE A
4 TURN WHEN STOPPED AT A RED LIGHT AND IF THE MOTORCYCLE DOES NOT
5 TRIGGER THE SENSOR FOR A GREEN LIGHT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 63-3-309, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 63-3-309. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control
10 signals exhibiting the words "Go," "Caution," or "Stop," or
11 exhibiting different colored lights successively one (1) at a
12 time, only the following colors shall be used and said terms and
13 lights shall indicate as follows:

14 (* * *a) Green alone or "Go."

15 (* * *i) Vehicular traffic facing the signal may
16 proceed straight through or turn right or left unless a sign at
17 such place prohibits either such turn. However, vehicular traffic
18 shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles and to pedestrians



19 lawfully within the intersection at the time such signal is
20 exhibited.

21 (* * *ii) Pedestrians facing the signal may
22 proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked
23 crosswalk.

24 (* * *b) Yellow alone or "Caution" when shown
25 following the green or "Go" signal.

26 (* * *i) Vehicular traffic facing the signal
27 shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at the
28 intersection, but if such stop cannot be made in safety a vehicle
29 may be driven cautiously through the intersection.

30 (* * *ii) Pedestrians facing such signal are
31 thereby advised that there is insufficient time to cross the
32 roadway, and any pedestrian then starting to cross shall yield the
33 right-of-way to all vehicles.

34 (* * *c) Red alone or "Stop."

35 (* * *i) Vehicular traffic facing the signal
36 shall stop before entering the nearest crosswalk at an
37 intersection or at such other point as may be indicated by a
38 clearly visible line and shall remain standing until green or "Go"
39 is shown alone, except as provided in subparagraphs

40 (* * *ii) * * *, (* * *iii) and (* * *iv) of this paragraph

41 (* * *c) * * *.

42 (* * *ii) Vehicular traffic facing a steady red
43 signal may cautiously enter the intersection to turn right after



44 stopping as required by subparagraph * * * (* * *i) of this
45 paragraph (c), unless a sign stating "No Turn On Red" is in place
46 prohibiting such a turn. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the
47 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk
48 and to other vehicular traffic lawfully using the intersection.

49 (* * *iii) Vehicular traffic facing a steady red
50 signal at the intersection of two (2) one-way streets may
51 cautiously enter the intersection to turn left in the direction
52 designated for one-way traffic, after stopping as required by
53 subparagraph * * * (* * *i) of this paragraph (* * *c), unless a
54 sign stating "No Turn On Red" is in place prohibiting such a turn.
55 Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians
56 within an adjacent crosswalk and to other vehicular traffic
57 lawfully using the intersection.

58 (* * *iv) No pedestrian facing such signal shall
59 enter the roadway unless he can do so safely and without
60 interfering with any vehicular traffic.

61 (v) When a motorcycle, electric bicycle or bicycle
62 is the sole occupant of a lane and does not cause the sensor to
63 trigger a green light, the motorcycle, electric bicycle or bicycle
64 may cautiously enter the intersection to proceed through the
65 intersection or make a turn, but the motorcycle, electric bicycle
66 or bicycle must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully
67 within an adjacent crosswalk and to other vehicular traffic
68 lawfully using the intersection. A motorcycle, electric bicycle



69 or bicycle shall not make a turn under this subsection if a sign
70 stating "No Turn On Red" is in place prohibiting a turn.

71 (* * *d) Red with green arrow.

72 (* * *i) Vehicular traffic facing such signal may
73 cautiously enter the intersection only to make movement indicated
74 by such arrow but shall not interfere with other traffic or
75 endanger pedestrians lawfully within a crosswalk.

76 (* * *ii) No pedestrian facing such signal shall
77 enter the roadway unless he can do so safely and without
78 interfering with any vehicular traffic.

79 (iii) When a motorcycle, electric bicycle or
80 bicycle is the sole occupant of a lane and does not cause the
81 sensor to trigger a green light, the motorcycle, electric bicycle
82 or bicycle may cautiously enter the intersection to make a turn,
83 but the motorcycle, electric bicycle or bicycle must yield the
84 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk
85 and to other vehicular traffic lawfully using the intersection.

86 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
87 and after July 1, 2022.

