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March 25, 2019

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2454

By: Dunnington, Moore, Bennett,
Ranson, Bush, Pae,
Blancett, Ortega and Sims
of the House

and

Montgomery of the Senate

An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 11-202, which relates to traffic controls; allowing bicycles to proceed through red light in certain situations; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 11-202, is amended to read as follows:

Section 11-202. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic control signals exhibiting different colored lights or colored lighted arrows successively one at a time, or in combination, only the colors green, red and yellow shall be used, except for special pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and the lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as follows:

1 1. Green indication:

- 2 a. vehicular traffic facing a circular green signal,
3 except when prohibited under Section 11-1302 of this
4 title, may proceed straight through or turn right or
5 left unless a sign at such place prohibits either such
6 turn. But vehicular traffic, including vehicles
7 turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to
8 other vehicles and to pedestrians lawfully within the
9 intersection or an adjacent crosswalk at the time such
10 signal is exhibited,
- 11 b. vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown
12 alone or in combination with another indication, may
13 cautiously enter the intersection only to make the
14 movement indicated by such arrow, or such other
15 movement as is permitted by other indications shown at
16 the same time. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the
17 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an
18 adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using
19 the intersection, and
- 20 c. unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control
21 signal, as provided in Section 11-203 of this title,
22 pedestrians facing any green signal, except when the
23 sole green signal is a turn arrow, may proceed across
24 the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk;

1 2. Steady yellow indication:

- 2 a. vehicular traffic facing a steady circular yellow or
3 yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related
4 green movement is being terminated or that a red
5 indication will be exhibited immediately thereafter,
6 and
7 b. pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or yellow
8 arrow signal, unless otherwise directed by a
9 pedestrian-control signal as provided in Section 11-
10 203 of this title, are thereby advised that there is
11 insufficient time to cross the roadway before a red
12 indication is shown, and no pedestrian shall then
13 start to cross the roadway; and

14 3. Steady red indication:

- 15 a. vehicular traffic facing a steady circular red signal
16 alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if
17 none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side
18 of the intersection or, if none, then before entering
19 the intersection and shall remain standing until an
20 indication to proceed is shown except as provided in
21 subparagraphs b and d of this paragraph,
22 b. except when a sign is in place prohibiting a turn,
23 vehicular traffic facing any steady red signal may
24 cautiously enter the intersection to turn right or to

1 turn left from a one-way street into a one-way street
2 after stopping as required by subparagraph a of this
3 paragraph. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the
4 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an
5 adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using
6 the intersection,

7 c. in order to prohibit right turns or left turns as
8 prescribed in subparagraph b of this paragraph, on the
9 red signal after the required stop, a municipality
10 must erect clear, concise signs informing drivers that
11 such turns are prohibited. The Highway Department
12 shall specify the design of the sign to be used for
13 this purpose, and it shall be used uniformly
14 throughout the state,

15 d. notwithstanding any other provision of law, the driver
16 of a motorcycle or bicycle facing any steady red
17 signal may cautiously proceed through the intersection
18 only if:

19 (1) the motorcycle or bicycle has been brought to a
20 complete stop as required by subparagraph a of
21 this paragraph,

22 (2) the traffic control signal is programmed or
23 engineered to change to a green signal only after
24 detecting the approach of a motor vehicle and has

1 failed to detect the arrival of the motorcycle or
2 bicycle because of its size or weight, and
3 (3) no motor vehicle or person is approaching on the
4 roadway to be crossed or entered, or the motor
5 vehicle or person is at a distance from the
6 intersection that does not constitute an
7 immediate hazard.

8 The driver of any vehicle approaching the
9 intersection, which lawfully may enter the
10 intersection, shall have the right-of-way over any
11 motorcycle or bicycle operator proceeding through a
12 red light and, in no event where an accident results
13 from the driver of the motorcycle or bicycle
14 proceeding into the intersection on a red light, shall
15 such driver of the vehicle be charged with any
16 violation pursuant to Sections 11-401 and 11-403 of
17 this title relating to failure to yield right-of-way,
18 Section 11-310 of this title relating to following too
19 closely, or Section 11-801 of this title relating to
20 driving too fast for conditions, and

21 e. unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control
22 signal as provided in Section 11-203 of this title,
23 pedestrians facing a steady circular red signal alone
24 shall not enter the roadway.

1 In the event an official trafficcontrol signal is erected and
2 maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of
3 this section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which
4 by their nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be
5 made at a sign or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop
6 shall be made, but in the absence of any such sign or marking the
7 stop shall be made at the signal.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY
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