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SENATE BILL DRS45231-ML-5 (09/19)

Short Title: Require Use of Directional Signals. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Lee and J. Jackson (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DRIVER OF ANY VEHICLE UPON A HIGHWAY OR  
3 PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREA TO GIVE A DIRECTIONAL SIGNAL BEFORE  
4 STARTING, STOPPING, OR TURNING THE VEHICLE FROM A DIRECT LINE.  
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
6 SECTION 1. G.S. 20-154(a) reads as rewritten:  
7 "(a) The driver of any vehicle upon a highway or public vehicular area before starting,  
8 ~~stopping~~ stopping, or turning from a direct line shall first (i) see that such movement can be  
9 made in safety, ~~and if any pedestrian may be affected by such movement shall (ii) give a clearly~~  
10 audible signal by sounding the ~~horn,~~ horn if any pedestrian may be affected by the movement,  
11 and ~~whenever the operation of any other vehicle may be affected by such movement, shall (iii)~~  
12 give a signal ~~as required~~ in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, plainly visible to the  
13 driver of ~~such any other vehicle,~~ vehicle affected by the movement, of the intention to make  
14 ~~such the~~ movement. The driver of a vehicle shall not back the same unless ~~such the~~ movement  
15 can be made with safety and without interfering with other traffic."  
16 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to  
17 offenses committed on or after that date.



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