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**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-1810, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO EXCEPTIONS TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT A VEHICLE MUST BE DRIVEN ON THE RIGHT HALF OF A ROADWAY, SO AS TO PROVIDE WHEN PASSING A PEDESTRIAN, BICYCLE, TRACTOR, GOLF CART, OR ANOTHER SLOW-MOVING VEHICLE, THE OPERATOR OF A VEHICLE MAY DRIVE TO THE LEFT OF THE CENTER OF A ROADWAY, TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL CIRCUMSTANCE WHEN A PERSON SHALL YIELD THE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO OTHER VEHICLES, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 56-5-1810(a)2. of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“2. When an obstruction exists making it necessary to drive to the left of the center of the ~~highway~~ roadway, or when passing a pedestrian, bicycle, tractor, golf cart, or another slow-moving vehicle, the operator of a vehicle may drive to the left of the center of a roadway. Any person so doing shall yield the right‑of‑way to all vehicles traveling in the proper direction upon the unobstructed portion or opposite direction of the ~~highway~~ roadway within such distance so as not to constitute an immediate hazard.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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