

## HOUSE BILL No. 2462

By Representative Goodman

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1 AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning traffic-control lights; amending  
2 K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1508 and repealing the existing section.  
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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1508 is hereby amended to read as  
6 follows: 8-1508. Whenever traffic is controlled by traffic-control signals  
7 exhibiting different colored lights, or colored lighted arrows, successively  
8 one at a time or in combination, only the colors green, red and yellow shall  
9 be used, except for special pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and  
10 said lights shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and pedestrians as  
11 follows:

12 (a) *Green indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a circular green  
13 signal may proceed straight through or turn right or left, unless a sign at  
14 such place prohibits either such turn; but vehicular traffic, including  
15 vehicles turning right or left, shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles  
16 and to pedestrians lawfully within the intersection or an adjacent  
17 crosswalk at the time such signal is exhibited.

18 (2) Vehicular traffic facing a green arrow signal, shown alone or in  
19 combination with another indication, may enter the intersection cautiously  
20 only to make the movement indicated by such arrow, or such other  
21 movement as is permitted by other indications shown at the same time.  
22 Such vehicular traffic shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully  
23 within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the  
24 intersection.

25 (3) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal, as  
26 provided in K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, pedestrians facing  
27 any green signal, except when the sole green signal is a turn arrow, may  
28 proceed across the roadway within any marked or unmarked crosswalk.

29 (b) *Steady yellow indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a steady  
30 circular yellow or yellow arrow signal is thereby warned that the related  
31 green movement is being terminated or that a red indication will be  
32 exhibited immediately thereafter when vehicular traffic shall not enter the  
33 intersection.

34 (2) Pedestrians facing a steady circular yellow or yellow arrow signal,  
35 unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal as provided in  
36 K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, are thereby advised that there is

1 insufficient time to cross the roadway before a red indication is shown, and  
2 no pedestrian shall then start to cross the roadway.

3 (c) *Steady red indication.* (1) Vehicular traffic facing a steady circular  
4 red or red arrow signal alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if  
5 none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or  
6 if none, then before entering the intersection, and shall remain standing  
7 until an indication to proceed is shown, except as provided in paragraphs  
8 (2), (3) and (4) of this subsection. Any turn provided for in paragraphs (2),  
9 (3) and (4) shall be governed by the applicable provisions of K.S.A. 8-  
10 1545, and amendments thereto.

11 (2) Unless a sign is in place prohibiting a turn, vehicular traffic facing  
12 a steady red signal may cautiously enter the intersection to make a right  
13 turn after stopping as required by paragraph (1) of this subsection. After  
14 stopping, the driver shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the  
15 intersection or approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute  
16 an immediate hazard during the time such driver is moving across or  
17 within the intersection or junction of roadways. Such vehicular traffic shall  
18 yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk  
19 and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

20 (3) Unless a sign is in place prohibiting a turn, vehicular traffic upon  
21 a roadway restricted to one-way traffic facing a steady red signal at the  
22 intersection of such roadway with another roadway restricted to one-way  
23 traffic which is proceeding to the left of such vehicular traffic, may  
24 cautiously enter the intersection to make a left turn after stopping as  
25 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection. After stopping, the driver  
26 shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle in the intersection or  
27 approaching on another roadway so closely as to constitute an immediate  
28 hazard during the time such driver is moving across or within the  
29 intersection or junction of roadways. Such vehicular traffic shall yield the  
30 right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to  
31 other traffic lawfully using the intersection.

32 (4) (A) The driver of a motorcycle or a person riding a bicycle  
33 facing any steady red signal, which fails to change to a green light within a  
34 reasonable period of time because of a signal malfunction or because the  
35 signal has failed to detect the arrival of the motorcycle or bicycle because  
36 of its size or weight, shall have the right to proceed subject to the rules  
37 stated herein. After stopping, the driver or rider shall yield the right-of-way  
38 to any vehicle in or near the intersection or approaching on a roadway so  
39 closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time such driver or  
40 rider is moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways.  
41 Such motorcycle or bicycle traffic shall yield the right-of-way to  
42 pedestrians lawfully within an adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic  
43 lawfully using the intersection.

1       (B) *Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal between the hours of*  
2 *11:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m., which fails to change to a green light within a*  
3 *reasonable period of time, shall have the right to proceed, subject to the*  
4 *rules stated herein. After stopping, the driver shall yield the right-of-way*  
5 *to any vehicle in or near the intersection or approaching on a roadway so*  
6 *closely as to constitute an immediate hazard during the time such driver is*  
7 *moving across or within the intersection or junction of roadways. Such*  
8 *vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians lawfully within an*  
9 *adjacent crosswalk and to other traffic lawfully using the intersection.*

10       (5) Unless otherwise directed by a pedestrian-control signal as  
11 provided in K.S.A. 8-1509, and amendments thereto, pedestrians facing a  
12 steady circular red or red arrow signal alone shall not enter the roadway.

13       (d) In the event an official traffic-control signal is erected and  
14 maintained at a place other than an intersection, the provisions of this  
15 section shall be applicable except as to those provisions which by their  
16 nature can have no application. Any stop required shall be made at a sign  
17 or marking on the pavement indicating where the stop shall be made, but  
18 in the absence of any such sign or marking the stop shall be made at the  
19 signal.

20       Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 8-1508 is hereby repealed.

21       Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
22 publication in the statute book.