
Introduced by Senator Aanestad

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An act to amend Section 21654 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 302, as introduced, Aanestad. Vehicles: slow moving vehicles.

Existing law requires a vehicle proceeding upon a highway at a speed less than the normal speed of traffic to drive in the right-hand lane for traffic or as close as practicable to the right-hand edge or curb, with exceptions.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that law.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21654 of the Vehicle Code is amended
2 to read:
3 21654. (a) Notwithstanding the prima facie speed limits, ~~any~~
4 a vehicle proceeding upon a highway at a speed less than the
5 normal speed of traffic moving in the same direction at such time
6 shall be driven in the right-hand lane for traffic or as close as
7 practicable to the right-hand edge or curb, except when overtaking
8 and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or
9 when preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a private
10 road or driveway.
11 (b) If a vehicle is being driven at a speed less than the normal
12 speed of traffic moving in the same direction at such time, and is

1 not being driven in the right-hand lane for traffic or as close as
2 practicable to the right-hand edge or curb, it shall constitute prima
3 facie evidence that the driver is operating the vehicle in violation
4 of subdivision (a) of this section.

5 (c) The Department of Transportation, with respect to state
6 highways, and local authorities, with respect to highways under
7 their jurisdiction, may place and maintain upon highways official
8 signs directing slow-moving traffic to use the right-hand traffic
9 lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle or
10 preparing for a left turn.