

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 1135

BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLIOT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:83, relative to driving on certain highways; to provide for method of driving on multiple-lane highways with left-turn lanes; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 32:83 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§83. Driving on highways with two-way left-turn lanes and dedicated left-turn lanes

A.(1) The department may designate two-way left-turn lanes along segments of highways and may designate dedicated left-turn lanes on highways at intersections.

(2) A highway with two or more lanes in each direction and with a designated two-way left-turn lane shall be considered a divided highway with separate roadways.

(3) A two-way left-turn lane is a lane near the center of the highway for use by vehicles making left turns in both directions to and from connections on both sides of the highway. At an intersection, the department may designate the two-way left-turn lane as a dedicated left-turn lane.

B.(1) A vehicle shall not be driven in a two-way left-turn lane for more than two hundred feet while making a left turn from a highway or when making a u-turn.

(2) A vehicle shall not be driven in a two-way left-turn lane for more than two hundred feet while making a left turn onto a highway and merging into the adjacent lanes of travel.

(3) A vehicle shall not be driven in a two-way left-turn lane for more than two hundred feet to reach a dedicated left-turn lane at an intersection.

1 C. A vehicle in a dedicated left-turn lane at an intersection shall turn at the
2 intersection only as designated by posted pavement marking, signing, or traffic
3 signal indication.

4 D. Vehicles shall not be driven across dedicated left-turn lanes at
5 intersections or across areas delineated with pavement markings consisting of solid
6 lines and filled in with diagonal striping. A vehicle may be driven across a two-way
7 left-turn lane.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____