



# HOUSE BILL No. 5690

March 19, 1996, Introduced by Rep. Middaugh and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend section 684 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended

"Michigan vehicle code,"

being section 257.684 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1 Section 1. Section 684 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of  
2 1949, being section 257.684 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 684. (1) ~~-(a) Every~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 694  
5 WITH RESPECT TO PARKED VEHICLES, A vehicle upon a highway within  
6 this state ~~at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half~~  
7 ~~hour before sunrise and at any other time when there is not suf-~~  
8 ~~ficient light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles~~  
9 ~~on the highway at a distance of 500 feet ahead~~ shall display  
10 lighted lamps and illuminating devices as ~~hereinafter~~

1 ~~respectively~~ required IN THIS ACT for different classes of  
2 vehicles ~~, subject to exceptions with respect to parked vehicles~~  
3 ~~as hereinafter stated.~~ AT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

4 (A) AT ANY TIME FROM SUNSET TO SUNRISE INCLUDING THE TWI-  
5 LIGHT HOURS. AS USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "TWILIGHT HOURS" MEANS  
6 THE TIME BETWEEN SUNSET AND FULL NIGHT OR BETWEEN FULL NIGHT AND  
7 SUNRISE.

8 (B) WHEN THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT LIGHT TO RENDER CLEARLY  
9 DISCERNIBLE PERSONS AND VEHICLES ON THE HIGHWAY AT A DISTANCE OF  
10 500 FEET AHEAD.

11 (C) DURING RAIN, SMOKE, FOG, OR SNOW.

12 (2) When lighted lamps and illuminated devices are required  
13 by law, ~~no~~ A vehicle shall NOT be operated upon any highway of  
14 this state with only the parking lights illuminated on the front  
15 of the vehicle.

16 (3) ~~(b) Whenever~~ IF A requirement is ~~hereinafter~~  
17 ~~declared~~ PROVIDED IN THIS ACT as to the distance from which cer-  
18 tain lamps and devices shall render objects visible or within  
19 which such lamps or devices shall be visible, ~~said provisions~~  
20 THE REQUIREMENT shall apply during the times stated in ~~paragraph~~  
21 ~~(a) of this section~~ SUBSECTION (1) upon a straight, level,  
22 unlighted highway under normal atmospheric conditions unless a  
23 different time or condition is expressly stated.

24 (4) ~~(c) Whenever~~ IF A requirement is ~~hereinafter~~  
25 ~~declared~~ PROVIDED IN THIS ACT as to the mounted height of lamps  
26 or devices, it shall mean from the center of ~~such~~ THE lamp or

1 device to the level ground upon which the vehicle stands when  
2 ~~such~~ THE vehicle is without a load.