

**2015 Assembly Bill 205 (LRB -0056)**

An Act to amend 346.37 (1) (b) and 346.39 (2); and to create 346.37 (1) (e) of the statutes; relating to: flashing yellow arrow traffic control signals.

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| 05-07. | A. | Introduced by Representatives <b>Vorpapel, Ripp, Ballweg, Kitchens, Mursau, A. Ott, Steffen and Kahl;</b><br>cosponsored by Senators <b>Petrowski, Gudex, Marklein, Olsen, Harris Dodd, Miller and Lassa.</b> .... | 151 |
| 05-07. | A. | Read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation .....  | 151 |
| 05-12. | A. | Public hearing held  |     |
| 05-26. | A. | Executive action taken   |     |
| 05-27. | A. | Report passage recommended by Committee on Transportation, Ayes 12, Noes 0 .....   | 181 |
| 05-27. | A. | Referred to committee on Rules .....   | 182 |
| 06-03. | A. | Placed on calendar 6-9-2015 by Committee on Rules  |     |
| 06-09. | A. | Read a second time .....   | 202 |
| 06-09. | A. | Ordered to a third reading .....   | 202 |
| 06-09. | A. | Rules suspended .....  | 202 |
| 06-09. | A. | Read a third time and <b>passed</b> .....  | 202 |
| 06-09. | A. | Ordered immediately messaged .....   | 202 |
| 06-10. | S. | Received from Assembly .....   | 281 |
| 06-12. | S. | Read first time and referred to committee on Senate Organization .....   | 285 |
| 06-12. | S. | Available for scheduling   |     |
| 11-05. | S. | Public hearing requirement waived by committee on Senate Organization, pursuant to Senate Rule 18<br>(1m), Ayes 3, Noes 2  |     |
| 11-05. | S. | Placed on calendar 11-6-2015 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1)   |     |
| 11-06. | S. | Read a second time   |     |
| 11-06. | S. | Ordered to a third reading   |     |
| 11-06. | S. | Rules suspended  |     |
| 11-06. | S. | Read a third time and <b>concurred in</b>  |     |
| 11-06. | S. | Ordered immediately messaged   |     |
| 11-09. | A. | Received from Senate concurred in  |     |

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**Amendments to above (if none, write "NONE"):**     None    

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## 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 205

May 7, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives VORPAGEL, RIPP, BALLWEG, KITCHENS, MURSAU, A. OTT, STEFFEN and KAHL, cosponsored by Senators PETROWSKI, GUDEx, MARKLEIN, OLSEN, HARRIS DODD, MILLER and LASSA. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 346.37 (1) (b) and 346.39 (2); and *to create* 346.37 (1) (e) of  
2     the statutes; **relating to:** flashing yellow arrow traffic control signals.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, vehicular traffic facing a yellow traffic control signal must stop before entering the intersection unless the stop cannot be made safely. However, vehicular traffic facing a flashing yellow traffic control signal may enter the intersection with caution.

This bill clarifies that vehicular traffic facing a flashing yellow arrow traffic control signal may enter the intersection without stopping after yielding to other traffic lawfully in the intersection.

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

3     **SECTION 1.** 346.37 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4     346.37 (1) (b) *Yellow.* ~~When~~ Except as provided in par. (e) and s. 346.39 (2),  
5     when shown with or following the green, traffic facing a yellow signal shall stop  
6     before entering the intersection unless so close to it that a stop may not be made in  
7     safety.

**ASSEMBLY BILL 205****SECTION 2**

1           **SECTION 2.** 346.37 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

2           346.37 (1) (e) *Flashing yellow arrow.* 1. Vehicular traffic facing a flashing  
3 yellow arrow signal may cautiously enter the intersection to make the movement  
4 indicated by the arrow but shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians, bicyclists, and  
5 riders of electric personal assistive mobility devices lawfully within a crosswalk and  
6 to other traffic lawfully using the intersection. Vehicular traffic facing a left turn  
7 arrow may make a U-turn unless a sign prohibits U-turns.

8           2. No pedestrian, bicyclist, or rider of an electric personal assistive mobility  
9 device facing such signal shall enter the roadway unless he or she can do so safely  
10 and without interfering with any vehicular traffic.

11           **SECTION 3.** 346.39 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           346.39 (2) FLASHING YELLOW (CAUTION SIGNAL). ~~When~~ Subject to s. 346.37 (1) (e),  
13 when a yellow lens is illuminated with rapid intermittent flashes, operators of  
14 vehicles may proceed through the intersection or past such signal only with caution.

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