

1 SB4
2 154007-2
3 By Senator Allen
4 RFD: Transportation and Energy
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7 A BILL
8 TO BE ENTITLED
9 AN ACT

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11 To amend Section 32-5A-82, Code of Alabama 1975, to
12 provide a definition for safe distance for purposes of a
13 vehicle overtaking and passing a bicycle.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

15 Section 1. Section 32-5A-82, Code of Alabama 1975,
16 is amended to read as follows:

17 "§32-5A-82.

18 "The following rules shall govern the overtaking and
19 passing of vehicles proceeding in the same direction, subject
20 to those limitations, exceptions, and special rules
21 hereinafter stated:

22 "(1) The driver of a vehicle overtaking another
23 vehicle proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the
24 left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again drive to
25 the right side of the roadway until safely clear of the
26 overtaken vehicle.

1 "(2) Except when overtaking and passing on the right
2 is permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall give
3 way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle on audible
4 signal and shall not increase the speed of his or her vehicle
5 until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

6 "(3) For purposes of a vehicle overtaking and
7 passing a bicycle, a safe distance shall mean not less than
8 five feet."

9 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
10 first day of the third month following its passage and
11 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Yeas 16
Nays 11
Abstaining 1

Patrick Harris
Secretary