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SENATE BILL 13-049

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Lundberg, Brophy, Hill, Renfroe, Scheffel

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

Senate Committees
Transportation

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION WITHIN A ROUNDABOUT FROM THE RULE**
102 **REQUIRING A VEHICLE TO SIGNAL AN INTENTION TO LEAVE THE**
103 **CURRENT LANE OF TRAVEL.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Currently, a person must signal an intention to turn when intending to change lanes or turn while driving a vehicle. The bill exempts motor vehicles that are within a roundabout.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-1-102, **add** (85.5)
3 as follows:

4 **42-1-102. Definitions.** As used in articles 1 to 4 of this title,
5 unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (85.5) "ROUNDAABOUT" MEANS A CIRCULAR INTERSECTION WHERE
7 ROAD TRAFFIC IS SLOWED AND FLOWS IN ONE DIRECTION AROUND A
8 CENTRAL ISLAND TO EXIT ONTO ONE OF THE INTERSECTING ROADS.

9 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-903, **amend** (1),
10 (2), and (4) as follows:

11 **42-4-903. Turning movements and required signals.** (1) ~~No~~ A
12 person shall NOT turn a vehicle at an intersection unless the vehicle is in
13 proper position upon the roadway as required in section 42-4-901, or turn
14 a vehicle to enter a private road or driveway, or otherwise turn a vehicle
15 from a direct course or move right or left upon a roadway unless and until
16 such movement can be made with reasonable safety and then only after
17 giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided in sections 42-4-608
18 and 42-4-609; EXCEPT THAT A DRIVER NEED NOT USE A TURN SIGNAL
19 WHEN TRAVELING IN A VEHICLE WITHIN A ROUNDAABOUT.

20 (2) ~~A signal of intention to turn right or left~~ PERSON shall be given
21 SIGNAL continuously during not less than the last one hundred feet
22 traveled by the vehicle before turning in urban or metropolitan areas ~~and~~
23 ~~shall be given~~ OR continuously for at least two hundred feet on all
24 four-lane highways and other highways where the prima facie or posted
25 speed limit is more than forty miles per hour; ~~Such signals shall be given~~
26 ~~regardless of existing~~ EXCEPT THAT A DRIVER NEED NOT USE A TURN

1 SIGNAL WHEN TRAVELING IN A VEHICLE WITHIN A ROUNDABOUT. Weather
2 conditions DO NOT CHANGE THE SIGNAL REQUIREMENTS.

3 (4) A PERSON SHALL USE the signals provided for in section
4 42-4-608 (2) ~~shall be used~~ to indicate an intention to turn, change lanes,
5 or start from a parked position; ~~and~~ EXCEPT THAT:

6 (a) A PERSON shall not ~~be flashed~~ FLASH on one side only on a
7 parked or disabled vehicle or ~~flashed~~ as a courtesy or "do pass" signal to
8 operators of other vehicles approaching from the rear; AND

9 (b) A DRIVER NEED NOT USE A TURN SIGNAL WHEN TRAVELING IN
10 A VEHICLE WITHIN A ROUNDABOUT.

11 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
12 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
13 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the
14 general assembly (August 7, 2013, if adjournment sine die is on May 8,
15 2013); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
16 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
17 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
18 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
19 to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the
20 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

21 (2) This act applies to acts committed on or after the applicable
22 effective date of this act.