

SENATE BILL No. 21

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 24-5.

Synopsis: Extension of lemon law protection to RVs. Provides that recreational vehicles are included within the definition of "motor vehicle" or "vehicle" for purposes of motor vehicle protection laws.

Effective: July 1, 2024.

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January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.



Second Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2024)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning trade regulation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 24-5-13-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.198-2016,
2 SECTION 656, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "motor
4 vehicle" or "vehicle" means any ~~self-propelled~~ vehicle that:
5 (1) has a ~~declared gross vehicle weight of less than ten thousand~~
6 ~~(10,000) pounds;~~
7 (2) (1) is sold to:
8 (A) a buyer in Indiana and registered in Indiana; or
9 (B) a buyer in Indiana who is a nonresident (as defined in
10 IC 9-13-2-113);
11 (3) (2) is intended primarily for use and operation on public
12 highways; and
13 (4) (3) is required to be registered or licensed before use or
14 operation.
15 **The term includes a recreational vehicle (as defined in**
16 **IC 6-2.5-5-39). However,** the term does not include ~~conversion vans,~~
17 ~~motor homes,~~ farm tractors and other machines used in the actual



1 production, harvesting, and care of farm products, road building
 2 equipment, truck tractors, road tractors, motorcycles, motor driven
 3 cycles, snowmobiles, or vehicles designed primarily for offroad use.

4 SECTION 2. IC 24-5-13.1-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.91-2022,
 5 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 6 JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "motor vehicle" means
 7 any ~~self-propelled~~ vehicle that:

8 ~~(1)~~ has a declared gross vehicle weight of less than ten thousand
 9 ~~(10,000)~~ pounds;

10 ~~(2)~~ (1) is sold to:

11 (A) a buyer in Indiana and registered in Indiana; or

12 (B) a buyer in Indiana who is a nonresident (as defined in
 13 IC 9-13-2-113);

14 ~~(3)~~ (2) is intended primarily for use and operation on public
 15 highways; and

16 ~~(4)~~ (3) is required to be registered or licensed before use or
 17 operation.

18 The term ~~does not include~~ **includes** a recreational vehicle (**as defined**
 19 **in IC 6-2.5-5-39**).

