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# ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 225

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DIGEST OF SB 225 (Updated February 14, 2024 9:17 am - DI 140)

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-26.

**Synopsis:** Exchange of insurance information after accident. Provides that a law enforcement officer present at the scene of an accident shall ensure that each operator complies with the duties required of an operator of a motor vehicle after an accident regardless of the apparent extent of the total property damage resulting from the accident.

**Effective:** July 1, 2024.

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## Gaskill, Deery

(HOUSE SPONSOR — LEHMAN)

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January 10, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance and Financial Institutions.

January 18, 2024, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

January 22, 2024, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.

January 23, 2024, read third time, passed. Yeas 47, nays 0.

### HOUSE ACTION

February 6, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance.

February 15, 2024, reported — Do Pass.

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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 motor vehicles.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-26-2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.88-2022,  
2 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) A law enforcement officer shall investigate  
4 each motor vehicle accident that results in any of the following:

5 (1) The injury or death of a person.  
6 (2) Total property damage to an apparent extent of at least two  
7 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

8 (b) ~~If the apparent extent of the total property damage is less than~~  
9 ~~the amount in subsection (a)(2);~~ A law enforcement officer **present at**  
10 **the scene of an accident** shall ensure that each operator is in  
11 compliance with the requirements of IC 9-26-1-1.1, **regardless of the**  
12 **apparent extent of the total property damage.**

13 SECTION 2. IC 9-26-2-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.88-2022,  
14 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
15 JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 4. (a) A law enforcement officer shall enforce  
16 IC 9-21 and IC 9-25 against the parties to a motor vehicle accident on  
17 private property if the accident:

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1 (1) occurs on commercial or other private property that is open to  
2 the public; and  
3 (2) results in:  
4 (A) personal injury or death; or  
5 (B) property damage to an apparent extent greater than two  
6 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).  
7 (b) ~~If the apparent extent of the total property damage is less than~~  
8 ~~the amount in subsection (a)(2)(B);~~ A law enforcement officer **present**  
9 **at the scene of an accident** shall ensure that each operator is in  
10 compliance with the requirements of IC 9-26-1-1.1, **regardless of the**  
11 **apparent extent of the total property damage.**  
12 (c) This section does not affect the power of a local government unit  
13 to contract with the owner or lessee of a shopping center or private  
14 business property under IC 9-21-18-4.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Insurance and Financial Institutions, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 225, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 9, after "officer" insert "**present at the scene of an accident**".

Page 2, line 8, after "officer" insert "**present at the scene of an accident**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 225 as introduced.)

BALDWIN, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Insurance, to which was referred Senate Bill 225, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 225 as printed January 19, 2024.)

CARBAUGH

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0

