



February 12, 2025

SENATE BILL No. 331

DIGEST OF SB 331 (Updated February 11, 2025 11:18 am - DI 151)

Citations Affected: IC 9-18.1.

Synopsis: Amended registration. Provides that if a person changes the exterior color or appearance of their vehicle from the color listed in the vehicle's registration through certain methods, the person must apply to amend their vehicle registration. Specifies application to passenger vehicles.

Effective: January 1, 2026.

Spencer

January 13, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation.
February 11, 2025, amended, reported favorably — 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 2024 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 9-18.1-3-1.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 1.1. (a) If a person changes**
4 **the color of a passenger vehicle registered under this article**
5 **through the:**
6 (1) **application of paint;**
7 (2) **installation of a partial or full vinyl vehicle wrap; or**
8 (3) **removal of a partial or full vinyl vehicle wrap;**
9 **then the person must apply to the bureau under IC 9-18.1-11-9(c)**
10 **not later than thirty (30) days after the change occurs.**
11 (b) **A person that fails to apply to the bureau as required under**
12 **subsection (a) commits a Class C infraction.**
13 (c) **The bureau shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement**
14 **this section.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 331, 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:

Replace the effective date in SECTION 1 with "[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026]".

Page 1, line 3, delete "has a partial" and insert "**changes the color of a passenger vehicle registered under this article through the:**

(1) application of paint;

(2) installation of a partial or full vinyl vehicle wrap; or

(3) removal of a partial or full vinyl vehicle wrap;

then the person must apply to the bureau under IC 9-18.1-11-9(c) not later than thirty (30) days after the change occurs."

Page 1, delete lines 4 through 9.

Page 1, line 10, delete "provide notice" and insert "**apply**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 331 as introduced.)

CRIDER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

