

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0068

School zone crosswalks.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Henderson and Northrup and
Senator(s) Schuler

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring vehicles to
2 stop for pedestrians in school zone crosswalks as
3 specified; authorizing video systems within school zones;
4 providing for the use of video obtained from the video
5 systems; providing a penalty; and providing for an
6 effective date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-5-602 by creating a new subsection
11 (f) is amended to read:

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13 **31-5-602. Right-of-way in crosswalks.**

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1 (f) The following shall apply to crosswalks in school
2 zones:

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4 (i) Official traffic control devices located in
5 marked school zones may be equipped with a video system for
6 the purpose of monitoring pedestrian safety, provided that
7 the video system shall only operate:

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9 (A) Between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00
10 p.m.; and

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12 (B) On days that the school is in session.

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14 (ii) A recording of images produced by a video
15 system equipped under paragraph (i) of this subsection
16 shall be prima facie evidence of the facts contained in it.
17 A recorded image evidencing a violation of this section
18 shall be admissible in a judicial or administrative
19 proceeding to adjudicate liability for the violation of
20 this section and may be discoverable for other criminal
21 actions. If the identity of the driver violating this
22 section is known, the penalty for the violation shall be as
23 provided in W.S. 31-4-104. If the identity of the driver of

1 a vehicle that violates this section is unknown, the
2 registered owner of the vehicle recorded by a video system
3 as provided in this subsection shall be fined one hundred
4 ninety-five dollars (\$195.00) provided that:

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6 (A) A fine issued to a registered owner of
7 a vehicle operated by an unknown driver shall not be
8 considered a moving violation for the purpose of suspending
9 a driver's license under W.S. 31-7-129 and shall not be
10 considered a conviction under W.S. 31-5-1201 or as a prior
11 conviction for any other purpose; and

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13 (B) It shall be a defense to enforcement of
14 a fine issued to a registered owner of a vehicle operated
15 by an unknown driver that the registered owner of the
16 vehicle:

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18 (I) Did not provide express or implied
19 consent to the person who was operating the vehicle at the
20 time of the violation; or

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22 (II) Transferred ownership of the
23 vehicle to a new owner prior to the observed violation.

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(iii) Recordings or images from a video system installed under this subsection shall not be a public record under the Wyoming Public Records Act, W.S. 16-4-201 through 16-4-205. Recordings or images made from a video system under this subsection shall be destroyed within one (1) year of the date the recording was made.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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