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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 612

Introduced by Assembly Member Nazarian

February 20, 2013

An act to amend Section ~~28100~~ 21455.7 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 612, as amended, Nazarian. ~~Vehicle: pilot cars. Automated enforcement systems.~~

Existing law requires the minimum yellow light change interval at an intersection at which there is an automated enforcement system in operation to be established in accordance with the Traffic Manual of the Department of Transportation. Existing law provides that the minimum yellow light change intervals relating to designated approach speeds provided in the manual are mandatory minimum yellow light change intervals.

This bill, instead, would require the minimum yellow light change interval for all movements at an intersection at which there is an automated enforcement system in operation to be established at one second beyond the yellow light change intervals relating to designated approach speeds provided in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, or its successor. The bill would provide that those minimum yellow light change intervals are mandatory minimum yellow light change intervals, and that a citation issued by a law enforcement agency shall be dismissed if the local governmental agency or local authority has not established the yellow light change intervals in compliance with the requirements of this section.

Existing law requires a pilot car, which is a vehicle that escorts oversized or special load vehicles, to display at least one red warning flag on each side of the vehicle and requires the flags to be a minimum of 16 inches square and visible from both the front and rear of the vehicle.

~~This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in that provision.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
 State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 21455.7 of the Vehicle Code is amended
 2 to read:

3 21455.7. (a) At an intersection at which there is an automated
 4 enforcement system in operation, the minimum yellow light change
 5 interval *for all movements* shall be established ~~in accordance with~~
 6 ~~the Traffic Manual of the Department of Transportation at one~~
 7 *second beyond the yellow light change intervals relating to*
 8 *designated approach speeds provided in the California Manual*
 9 *on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, or its successor.*

10 (b) ~~For purposes of subdivision (a), the~~ *The* minimum yellow
 11 light change intervals ~~relating to designated approach speeds~~
 12 ~~provided in the Traffic Manual of the Department of Transportation~~
 13 *established pursuant to subdivision (a)* are mandatory minimum
 14 yellow light change intervals. *A citation issued by a law*
 15 *enforcement agency shall be dismissed if the local governmental*
 16 *agency or local authority has not established the yellow light*
 17 *change intervals in compliance with the requirements of this*
 18 *section.*

19 (c) A yellow light change interval may exceed the minimum
 20 interval established pursuant to subdivision (a).

21 SECTION 1. Section 28100 of the Vehicle Code is amended
 22 to read:

23 28100. ~~A pilot car shall display at least one red warning flag~~
 24 ~~on each side of the vehicle. The flags shall be a minimum of 16~~
 25 ~~inches square, and shall be visible from both the front and rear of~~
 26 ~~the vehicle. The flags shall be removed or covered when the vehicle~~
 27 ~~is not operating as a pilot car.~~

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