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SENATE BILL No. 13

DIGEST OF SB 13 (Updated December 9, 2025 10:19 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 9-19.

Synopsis: Motor vehicle equipment requirements. Adds an exception to certain motor vehicle equipment requirements for vehicle chassis that are a part of a vehicle manufacturer's work in process and are towed for a distance of less than 40 miles.

Effective: July 1, 2026.

Doriot, Crider, Rogers

December 8, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation.
December 9, 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 2025 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 9-19-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.259-2013,
2 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) and as
4 otherwise provided in this chapter, this article does not apply to the
5 following with respect to equipment on vehicles:
6 (1) Implements of agriculture designed to be operated primarily
7 in a farm field or on farm premises.
8 (2) Road machinery.
9 (3) Road rollers.
10 (4) Farm tractors.
11 (5) Vehicle chassis that:
12 (A) are a part of a vehicle manufacturer's work in process; and
13 (B) are:
14 (i) driven under this subdivision only for a distance of less
15 than one (1) mile; or
16 (ii) **towed under this subdivision only for a distance of**
17 **less than forty (40) miles on a highway that is not an**

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- 1 **interstate highway.**
2 (6) Golf carts and off-road vehicles when operated in accordance
3 with an ordinance adopted under IC 9-21-1-3(a)(14) or
4 IC 9-21-1-3.3(a).
5 (b) A farm type dry or liquid fertilizer tank trailer or spreader that
6 is drawn or towed on a highway by a motor vehicle other than a farm
7 tractor at a speed greater than thirty (30) miles per hour is considered
8 a trailer for equipment requirement purposes and all equipment
9 requirements concerning trailers apply.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 13, 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 17, delete "miles." and insert "**miles on a highway that is not an interstate highway.**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 13 as introduced.)

CRIDER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

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