

By Representative Lacasa

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to state uniform traffic  
3           control; amending ss. 316.075 and 316.192,  
4           F.S.; revising language with respect to traffic  
5           control signal devices; providing that reckless  
6           driving shall include violations for running a  
7           red light; providing an effective date.

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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section  
12   316.075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13           316.075 Traffic control signal devices.--Except for  
14   automatic warning signal lights installed or to be installed  
15   at railroad crossings, whenever traffic, including municipal  
16   traffic, is controlled by traffic control signals exhibiting  
17   different colored lights, or colored lighted arrows,  
18   successively one at a time or in combination, only the colors  
19   green, red and yellow shall be used, except for special  
20   pedestrian signals carrying a word legend, and the lights  
21   shall indicate and apply to drivers of vehicles and  
22   pedestrians as follows:

23           (2) STEADY YELLOW INDICATION.--

24           (a) Vehicular traffic facing a steady yellow signal is  
25   thereby warned that the related green movement is being  
26   terminated, ~~or~~ that a red indication will be exhibited  
27   immediately thereafter when vehicular traffic shall not enter  
28   the intersection, and is thereby advised that there may be  
29   insufficient time to cross the intersection safely and that  
30   other vehicles may be entering the intersection as permitted  
31   by their traffic control signal device.

1 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 316.192, Florida  
2 Statutes, is amended to read:

3 316.192 Reckless driving.--

4 (2) Any person convicted of reckless driving shall be  
5 punished:

6 (a) Upon a first conviction, by imprisonment for a  
7 period of not more than 90 days or by fine of not less than  
8 \$25 nor more than \$500, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

9 (b) On a second or subsequent conviction, by  
10 imprisonment for not more than 6 months or by a fine of not  
11 less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000, or by both such fine and  
12 imprisonment. In addition, if the person's reckless driving  
13 causes or results in the death of another, the person may  
14 serve 120 community hours as provided in s. 316.027(4).

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16 Any person who violates s. 316.075(3)(a) shall be guilty of  
17 reckless driving.

18 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

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21 HOUSE SUMMARY

22 Provides that a person who runs a red light shall be  
23 guilty of reckless driving.