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Testimony on HB 1305 Motor Vehicles – Operation When Approaching Stopped, Standing, or Parked Vehicles

The Action Committee for Transit strongly supports HB 1305 as a significant enhancement of efforts to achieve the state's Vision Zero goals

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, 18% of non-motorists killed on interstate highways/freeways between 2015 and 2017 were associated with a disabled vehicle. People whose vehicles break down on the highway shouldn't be at risk of getting killed. In addition, a universal move-over law will improve safety for EMS, tow truck drivers, and construction workers as well.

Instead of trying to decide on a case-by-case basis whether or not they have to move over, drivers would know that they have to move over for all vehicles.

Please report favorably on this bill.