

HOUSE BILL NO. 4072

February 07, 2023, Introduced by Reps. Bezotte, Wozniak, Paquette, Johnsen and Rogers and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled
"Michigan vehicle code,"
by amending section 654 (MCL 257.654).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 654. (1) A motor vehicle forming part of a funeral
2 procession, when going to a place of burial, ~~shall have~~**has** the
3 right of way over all other vehicles, except fire apparatus,
4 ambulances, and police patrol vehicles, at a street or highway
5 intersection within this state if the vehicle in the funeral
6 procession displays a flag ~~which shall be~~**that is** fluorescent

1 orange **or purple** in color, and ~~upon~~**on** which ~~shall be~~**is** printed,
2 stamped, or stained a black cross, the star of David, or the
3 crescent and star. The lead vehicle and the last vehicle in the
4 funeral procession may carry an additional flag. The flags ~~shall~~
5 **must** not contain a name embossed or printed on the flag, except the
6 word "funeral". **In addition, a vehicle engaged in leading or**
7 **escorting a funeral procession or any vehicle that is part of a**
8 **funeral procession may activate the hazard warning lights described**
9 **in section 698a or the flashing, rotating, or oscillating purple or**
10 **amber lights described in section 698(5)(g) during the funeral**
11 **procession.**

12 (2) A person passing through a funeral procession of motor
13 vehicles, designated pursuant to subsection (1), with a vehicle of
14 any kind, is responsible for a civil infraction.

15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
16 after the date it is enacted into law.