

House Bill 159

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 32-9-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to designation of highway travel lanes and use of such lanes, so as to change certain provisions relating to minimum number of persons in high occupancy vehicle lanes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Code Section 32-9-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to designation of highway travel lanes and use of such lanes, is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(a) The department is authorized to designate travel lanes in each direction of travel on any road in the state highway system for the exclusive or preferential use of:

(1) Buses;

(2) Motorcycles;

(3) Passenger vehicles occupied by two ~~persons~~ or more persons who are of the minimum age required for a Class D driver's license or older;

(4) Vehicles bearing alternative fueled vehicle license plates issued under Code Section 40-2-76; or

(5) Other vehicles as designated by the department.

Where such designation has been made, the road shall be appropriately marked with such signs or other roadway markers and markings to inform the traveling public of the lane restrictions imposed."

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.