

House Bill 126

By: Representatives Teasley of the 37th, Atwood of the 179th, Peake of the 141st, Setzler of the 35th, Cooke of the 18th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and
3 energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of global positioning
4 or navigation system mounts on the windshields of motor vehicles under certain
5 circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal
6 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy
11 absorption systems of motor vehicles, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section
12 40-8-73, relating to windshields and windshield wipers, as follows:

13 "(a) No person shall drive any motor vehicle with any sign, poster, or other nontransparent
14 material upon the front windshield, side windows, or rear windows of such vehicle which
15 obstructs the driver's clear view of the highway or any intersecting highway; provided,
16 however, that, except as prohibited by federal law, rules, or regulations in the operation of
17 a commercial motor vehicle, a person may drive a motor vehicle with a mount for use with
18 an in-vehicle global positioning or navigation system mounted upon the front windshield
19 provided that such mount is located on the bottommost portion of the windshield from
20 where the windshield meets the dashboard of the motor vehicle."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.