

The House Committee on Science & Technology offers the following substitute to HB 126:

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 windshield to minimize obstruction of the  
20 driver's view."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.