

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1010

BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

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2 RELATING TO RULES OF THE ROAD; AMENDING SECTION 49-639, IDAHO CODE, TO RE-  
3 QUIRE A SAFE AND REASONABLE PLACE TO PULL OVER AND TO CLARIFY THAT NO VI-  
4 OLATION OCCURS IF A DRIVER HAS NOT REACHED A TURNOUT OR SAFE AND REASON-  
5 ABLE PLACE TO PULL OVER; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING AN EF-  
6 FECTIVE DATE.

7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

8 SECTION 1. That Section 49-639, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 49-639. TURNING OUT OF SLOW MOVING VEHICLES. On a two-lane highway  
11 outside an urban area where passing is unsafe due to oncoming traffic or  
12 other conditions, the driver of a vehicle traveling slower than the normal  
13 speed of traffic and behind which three (3) or more vehicles are formed in  
14 line, shall turn off the roadway at the nearest place designated as a turnout  
15 or ~~wherever sufficient area for a safe turnout exists,~~ at the next available  
16 location where it is safe and reasonable for the vehicle to be pulled over  
17 in order to permit the following vehicles to pass. Such driver shall not be  
18 deemed to violate this section if he has not, during the time when three (3)  
19 or more vehicles are formed in line behind his vehicle, passed a designated  
20 turnout or location where it would be safe and reasonable for the vehicle to  
21 be pulled over.

22 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby  
23 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after  
24 July 1, 2023.