

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2054

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9 An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S.
10 2011, Section 11-309, as last amended by Section 1,
11 Chapter 184, O.S.L. 2018 (47 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section
12 11-309), which relates to driving on roadways laned
for traffic; modifying roadways in which certain left
lane travel is allowed; and providing an effective
date.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 11-309, as
17 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 184, O.S.L. 2018 (47 O.S. Supp.
18 2020, Section 11-309), is amended to read as follows:

19 Section 11-309. Whenever any roadway has been divided into two
20 or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following requirements
21 in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply.

22 1. A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practicable entirely
23 within a single lane.
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1 2. A vehicle shall not be moved from the lane until the driver
2 has first ascertained that the movement can be made with safety and
3 then given a signal, not less than the last one hundred (100) feet
4 traveled by the vehicle, of his intention to change lanes.

5 3. Upon a roadway which is divided into three lanes, a vehicle
6 shall not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and
7 passing another vehicle where the roadway is clearly visible and the
8 center lane is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in
9 preparation for a left turn or where the center lane is at the time
10 allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the direction the vehicle
11 is proceeding and is signposted to give notice of the allocation.

12 4. A two-way left-turn lane is a lane near the center of the
13 highway set aside for use by vehicles making left turns in both
14 directions from or into the roadway. Two-way left-turn lanes shall
15 be designated by distinctive roadway markings consisting of parallel
16 double yellow lines, interior line dashed and exterior line solid,
17 on each side of the lane. A vehicle shall not be driven in a
18 designated two-way left-turn lane except when preparing for or
19 making a left turn from or into a roadway. Vehicles turning left
20 from the roadway shall not be driven in the two-way left-turn lane
21 for more than two hundred (200) feet while preparing for and making
22 the turn. A vehicle turning left onto the roadway may utilize the
23 two-way left-turn lane as a staging area by stopping and waiting for
24 traffic proceeding in the same direction to clear before merging

1 into the adjacent lanes of travel. A left turn shall not be made
2 from any other lane where a two-way left-turn lane has been
3 designated. Provided, however, this section shall not prohibit
4 driving across a two-way left-turn lane when moving from a service
5 drive onto such marked roadway.

6 5. A vehicle shall not be driven in the left lane of a roadway
7 except when overtaking and passing another vehicle; provided,
8 however, this paragraph shall not prohibit driving in the left lane
9 when traffic conditions, flow or road configuration, such as the
10 potential of merging traffic, require the use of the left lane to
11 maintain safe traffic conditions; provided further, this paragraph
12 shall not prohibit driving in the left lane of a roadway within the
13 city limits of a municipality or upon a county road as long as such
14 roadway is not part of the National System of Interstate and Defense
15 Highways or turnpike.

16 6. Official signs may be erected directing slow-moving traffic
17 to use a designated lane or designating those lanes to be used by
18 traffic moving in a particular direction regardless of the center of
19 the roadway, and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of
20 every such sign.

21 Any person convicted of violating any provision of this section
22 shall be punished as provided for in Section 17-101 of this title.
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SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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