

BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT REPORT
Taxation and Revenue Department

February 3, 2025

Bill: SB-213

Sponsor: Senator Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales

Short Title: Yielding to Transit Buses

Description: This bill enacts a new section of the Motor Vehicle Code requiring vehicle drivers to yield the right of way to a transit bus when an illuminated yield sign is displayed on the rear of the bus and the bus is attempting to merge into a traffic lane from a designated bus stop. The bill provides that a person who fails to yield is guilty of a penalty assessment misdemeanor of \$25 and adds definitions related to the new section.

Effective Date: Not specified; 90 days following adjournment (June 20, 2025).

Taxation and Revenue Department Analyst: Htet Gonzales and Sean Bulian – Motor Vehicle Division

Estimated Revenue Impact*					R or NR**	Fund(s) Affected
FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029		
					R	General Fund

* In thousands of dollars. Parentheses () indicate a revenue loss. ** Recurring (R) or Non-Recurring (NR).

Methodology for Estimated Revenue Impact: It is unknown how many violations for failing to yield to a transit bus displaying a yield sign will be issued. Fees collected will be remitted to the state treasurer for credit to the general fund.

Policy Issues: This bill may provide for safer conditions related to the operation of transit busses. For MVD, this bill will provide for a new citation type to be issued by law enforcement.

Technical Issues: None.

Other Issues: None.

Administrative & Compliance Impact: Implementation of this bill will have a moderate impact on Tax and Rev’s Information Technology Division (ITD). The estimated time to develop, test, and implement the changes is approximately 320 hours or 2 months for an estimated soft cost of \$21,325 in staff workload costs. This bill requires adding a new violation code for the existing list in Tapestry, the MVD system of record, and testing the configuration changes.

MVD and Financial Tax & Rev’s Financial Distribution Bureau (FDB) will verify Tapestry system changes by conducting selected tests of data, functionality, and reporting, including performing a mock distribution before authorizing Tapestry to implement these changes.

Estimated Additional Operating Budget Impact*				R or NR**	Fund(s) or Agency Affected
FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	3 Year Total Cost		
	\$21.3			NR	MVD Suspense Fund – Staff Workload Cost

* In thousands of dollars. Parentheses () indicate a cost saving. ** Recurring (R) or Non-Recurring (NR).

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