
HOUSE BILL No. 1243

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 9-13-2-154.8; IC 9-19-18-3.

Synopsis: Retractable tire studs. Provides that a vehicle may be equipped on a year-round basis with tires that have retractable tire studs if the retractable tire studs remain retracted from May 2 to the following September 30.

Effective: July 1, 2008.

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January 14, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-154.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: **Sec. 154.8. "Retractable tire studs",**
4 **for purposes of IC 9-19-18, means tire studs that:**

- 5 (1) **are capable of being retracted; and**
- 6 (2) **otherwise satisfy the requirements of IC 9-19-18-3(d).**

7 SECTION 2. IC 9-19-18-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005,
8 SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
9 JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b)
10 through ~~(d)~~; (e), a tire on a vehicle moved on a highway may not have
11 on the tire's periphery a block, stud, flange, cleat, or spike or any other
12 protuberance of any material other than rubber that projects beyond the
13 tread of the traction surface of the tire.

14 (b) Implements of agriculture may use tires having protuberances
15 that will not injure the highway.

16 (c) Tire chains of reasonable proportions may be used upon a
17 vehicle when required for safety because of snow, ice, or other



1 conditions tending to cause a vehicle to skid.
2 (d) From October 1 to the following May 1, a vehicle may use tires
3 in which have been inserted ice grips or tire studs, **including**
4 **retractable tire studs, that:**
5 (1) **are** of wear-resisting material;
6 (2) **are** installed in a manner that provides resiliency upon contact
7 with the road; ~~with~~
8 (3) **have** projections that do not exceed three thirty-seconds (3/32)
9 of an inch beyond the tread of the traction surface of the tire; and
10 (4) **are** constructed to prevent any appreciable damage to the road
11 surface.
12 (e) **Notwithstanding subsection (d), a vehicle may be equipped**
13 **year-round with tires that have retractable tire studs if the tire**
14 **studs remain retracted from May 2 to September 30 of each year.**

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