

Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 786

Chairperson: Deb Fischer

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: February 26, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 786, the "Move Over Bill" requires drivers on controlled-access highways with at least two available lanes traveling in the same direction, to yield the right-of-way to a stopped authorized emergency or road assistance vehicle using proper audible or visual signals, by moving into a lane at least one lane apart from the stopped vehicle unless otherwise directed by peace officer or other authorized personnel. If moving to another lane is not possible due to weather or road conditions or because the controlled-access highway does not have two available lanes traveling in the same direction, the approaching driver shall maintain a safe speed and proceed with caution.

Violators of this section would be guilty of a traffic infraction for first offense and a Class IIIA misdemeanor for second and subsequent offenses.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Gwen Howard