

# HOUSE BILL No. 1151

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-21-7-2.

**Synopsis:** Use of headlights in bad weather. Specifies that unfavorable atmospheric conditions requiring the use of vehicle headlights include rain, snow, and fog.

**Effective:** July 1, 2019.

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January 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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First Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2019)

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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 9-21-7-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.198-2016,  
2 SECTION 363, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in  
4 subsection (b) and section 8 of this chapter, each vehicle upon a  
5 highway:  
6 (1) between the time from sunset to sunrise; and  
7 (2) at any other time when, due to insufficient light or unfavorable  
8 atmospheric conditions, **including rainfall, snowfall, and fog**,  
9 persons and vehicles on the highway are not clearly discernible at  
10 a distance of five hundred (500) feet ahead;  
11 must display lighted head lamps and other illuminating devices as  
12 required for different classes of vehicles under this chapter.  
13 (b) All lamp equipment required for vehicles described in IC 9-19-6,  
14 including each tail lamp required by law, shall be lighted at the times  
15 mentioned in subsection (a), except that clearance and sidemarker  
16 lamps are not required to be lighted on a vehicle when the vehicle is  
17 operated within a municipality if there is sufficient light to render



1 clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance  
2 of five hundred (500) feet.

