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(Motor vehicles--prohibit driving
on public or private property to
avoid traffic signal)

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1992 Assembly No. 242

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2 of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the
5 *State of New Jersey*:

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7 operated at the direction of a law enforcement officer, no person
8 shall drive a motor vehicle on public property, except public
9 roads or highways, or private property, with or without the
10 permission of the owner, for the purpose of avoiding a traffic
11 control signal or sign.

12 Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this act
13 shall be liable for a penalty of not less than \$50.00 or more than
14 \$200.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 15 days, or
15 both.

16 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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22 **to avoid traffic signal or sign.**

ASSEMBLY, No. 242

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1992 SESSION

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21 This bill supplements chapter 4 of Title 39 of the Revised
22 Statutes to prohibit the driver of a motor vehicle from operating
23 that vehicle on public property, except a public road or highway,
24 or private property for the purpose of avoiding a traffic control
25 signal or sign unless the vehicle in question is either an
26 emergency vehicle or a motor vehicle being operated at the
27 direction of a law enforcement officer. This prohibition is to
28 apply whether or not the permission of the owner has been given.

29 It also provides that the operator of a motor vehicle found
30 guilty of driving on public or private property in order to avoid
31 complying with either a traffic control signal or sign would be
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ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 242

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 30, 1992

The Assembly Judiciary, Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 242.

This bill prohibits the driver of a motor vehicle from operating that vehicle on public property, except a public road or highway, or private property for the purpose of avoiding a traffic control signal or sign. This prohibition applies whether or not the permission of the owner has been given. The prohibition would not apply if the vehicle in operation is either an emergency vehicle or a vehicle being operated at the direction of a law enforcement officer. An example of a driver in violation of the provisions of this bill would include a driver waiting at a red light at an intersection who pulls out of the line of traffic and cuts through a gas station on the corner to make a right turn out of the gas station. The committee notes that this type of operation of a motor vehicle is dangerous.

The bill provides that a person found guilty under its provisions would be liable for a penalty of not less than \$50.00 or more than \$200.00 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 15 days, or both.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 1992 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review which has been performed.

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 242

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 2, 1992

The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 242.

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It also provides that the operator of a motor vehicle found guilty of driving on public or private property in order to avoid complying with either a traffic control signal or sign would be liable to a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$200 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 15 days, or both.

As reported by this committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill 302 of 1992, as amended by this committee on April 2, 1992.