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2013 Wisconsin Act 365 [2013 Assembly Bill 714]

Yielding to an Overtaking Vehicle

Prior law required the driver of a vehicle being passed on the left by another vehicle traveling in the same direction to give way to the right in favor of the overtaking vehicle upon the audible signal of the overtaking driver, but did not require the driver of a passing vehicle to make an audible signal when he or she intended to pass. Prior law also required the operator of a vehicle moving so slow as to impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic to, if practicable, yield the roadway to an overtaking vehicle whenever the operator of the overtaking vehicle gave audible warning.

2013 Wisconsin Act 365 eliminates the references to audible signals or warnings described above. However, the obligations for vehicles being passed otherwise remain the same.

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