

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed  
prior to this session of the General Assembly.  
Act 641 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas  
2 87th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2009

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1961

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5 By: Representative Pyle  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND  
10 TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO ANALYZE WRONG-WAY  
11 CRASHES ON INTERSTATES AND OTHER FREEWAYS THAT  
12 ARE A PART OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM; TO  
13 IMPLEMENT WARRANTED AND FEASIBLE COUNTERMEASURES  
14 THAT MAY REDUCE THE POSSIBILITY OF WRONG-WAY  
15 CRASHES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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20 OTHER FREEWAYS THAT ARE A PART OF THE  
21 STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM.  
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 65, Subchapter 1 is amended  
28 to add an additional section to read as follows:

29 27-65-144. Additional annual reporting.

30 (a) The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department shall  
31 analyze all reported wrong-way crashes on interstate highways and other  
32 freeways that are a part of the state highway system to determine whether the  
33 installation of additional traffic control devices is warranted and feasible  
34 in order to reduce the possibility of future wrong-way crashes.

35 (b) Any additional traffic control devices installed under subsection



1 (a) of this section shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control  
2 Devices for Streets and Highways, approved by the Federal Highway  
3 Administration as the national standard in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 109(d),  
4 23 U.S.C. 114(a), 23 U.S.C. 217, 23 U.S.C. 315, and 23 U.S.C. 402(a), 23  
5 C.F.R. 655, and 49 C.F.R. 1.48(b)(8), 1.48(b)(33) and 1.48(c)(2), and is the  
6 manual adopted by the State Highway Commission under § 27-52-104.

7 (c) A person may not file a legal action as a result of the  
8 implementation of any recommendations made from studies conducted under this  
9 section.

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11 SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. This act shall begin with a reporting  
12 period in 2009 and annually thereafter.

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14 **APPROVED: 3/27/2009**

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