



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Bill Analysis

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### **S.B. 161\***

130th General Assembly  
(As Reported by S. Transportation)

Sen. Hughes

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## **BILL SUMMARY**

- Requires the headlights on any motor vehicle to comply with federal headlamp color requirements (a white light) and specifies that failure to comply with the requirement is a minor misdemeanor.

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## **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

The bill requires the headlights on any motor vehicle to comply with the federal headlamp color requirements established in regulations governing motor vehicle safety standards. These standards require headlamps to be white.<sup>1</sup> Any person who operates a motor vehicle in violation of this requirement is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.<sup>2</sup>

Rules adopted by the Department of Public Safety, currently require motor vehicle headlamps to display a white light.<sup>3</sup>

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## **HISTORY**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Introduced	07-24-13
Reported, S. Transportation	-----

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\* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Transportation Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

<sup>1</sup> Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Number 108, 49 C.F.R. 571.108.

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4513.19(B) and (C).

<sup>3</sup> O.A.C. 4501-15-01(F).