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**House Transportation Committee**

**Bill: HB69, Traffic Code Amendments**

Sponsor: Rep. Musselman

Floor Sponsor:

**UASD Position: tracking**

This Bill: amends the Traffic Code to clarify the law with regard to a turn signal and objects that might obstruct a driver's view.

Discussion: Rep. Musselman and his co presenter Sean Brian said this bill clears up some issues on what is already perceived law. There is currently uncertainty when it is required for an individual to signal when entering on a roadway. This bill would add to the traffic code that it is required to signal when entering on to a roadway. This bill would prohibit the driver operating the vehicles view to be obstructed. If it is five inches X five inches or 25 total square inches or less then it is allowed. The 25 inches can be split up on your windshield into different areas. A semi is not under a different code. This bill does not necessarily make it easier for officers to pull people over. This bill clears up the statute for officers and citizens on when to signal. It would require people to signal onto a roadway when backing out of their driveway. These amendments both file under a primary reason for an officer to pull someone over. There is currently a problem with officers finding obstructed views. There was some confusion on what was included on signaling when entering a road way and if that included drive ways and shoulder of roads. For this reason the bill will be held until better language can be worked out.

Yeas: 12

Nays: 0

N/V: 0

**Outcome: Held until language is worked out.**