

SENATE BILL 1554

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39;  
Title 40 and Title 55, relative to law enforcement  
encounters.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1.

(a) The peace officer standards and training (POST) commission shall study and make recommendations on how vehicle drivers and passengers should behave when stopped by a police officer. The recommendations must include, but are not limited to, best practices for:

(1) How a driver or passenger should address a police officer;

(2) How a driver or passenger should use their hands, including whether or not a driver or passenger should reach for anything prior to being told to do so by a police officer; and

(3) Safe places to pull over a vehicle.

(b) The POST commission shall provide the recommendations required by subsection (a) to the department of safety by December 1, 2020.

(c) The department of safety shall:

(1) Include the recommendations received pursuant to subsection (b) in the Tennessee Comprehensive Driver License Manual printed in 2021 and each Tennessee Comprehensive Driver License Manual printed thereafter; and

(2) Make the recommendations received pursuant to subsection (b) available on the department of safety's website.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring  
it.