

1 SENATE BILL NO. 433

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING RIGHT-OF-WAY LAWS REGARDING
5 ROUNDABOUTS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-327, MCA."

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7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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9 NEW SECTION. **Section 1. Rotary traffic islands and roundabouts -- definitions.** (1) A vehicle
10 passing around a rotary traffic island or a roundabout:

11 (a) may be driven only to the right of the island or to the right of the center of the roundabout; and

12 (b) has right-of-way over all vehicles approaching the island or roundabout.

13 (2) (a) A vehicle approaching a rotary traffic island or a roundabout must yield the right-of-way to
14 all vehicles passing around the island or roundabout.

15 (b) A vehicle approaching a roundabout may not enter the roundabout in a manner that interferes
16 with the travel of a towing vehicle simultaneously entering the roundabout.

17 (3) (a) If the approach to a rotary traffic island or roundabout has multiple lanes of traffic for travel
18 in the same direction, a towing vehicle may, with due regard for all other traffic ~~and when employing a turn~~
19 ~~signal or hazard signal~~, deviate from its lane in order to safely approach or pass around the island or
20 roundabout. Vehicles travelling in the same direction as the hauling vehicle must yield the right-of-way and may
21 not attempt to pass.

22 (b) If a towing vehicle is poised to enter a roundabout simultaneously with a second towing vehicle,
23 the vehicle to the left has the right-of-way and the vehicle to the right shall yield.

24 (4) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:

25 (a) "Roundabout" means a circular intersection.

26 (b) "Towing vehicle" means a vehicle that is towing one or more vehicles.

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28 **Section 2.** Section 61-8-327, MCA, is amended to read:

