AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning railroad grade crossing signal
obedience; requiring vehicle drivers to stop for on-track equipment at
railroad grade crossings; amending K.S.A. 8-1551 and repealing the
existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 8-1551 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-
1551. (a) Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad
grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the
driver of such vehicle shall stop within fifty (50) 50 feet but not less than
fifteen (15) 15 feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not
proceed until he or she such driver can do so safely. The foregoing
requirements shall apply when:

(1) A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives
warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train or other on-track
equipment;

(2) A crossing gate is lowered or when a human flagman gives or
continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train or
other on-track equipment;

(3) A railroad train or other on-track equipment approaching within
approximately one thousand five hundred (1,500) 1,500 feet of the
highway crossing emits a signal audible from such distance and such
railroad train or other on-track equipment, by reason of its speed or
nearness to such crossing, is an immediate hazard; or

(4) An approaching railroad train or other on-track equipment is
plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.

(b) No person shall drive any vehicle through, around or under any
crossing gate or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is
closed or is being opened or closed.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 8-1551 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
publication in the statute book.