

**DRAFT****Michigan Drive SAFE Bills¹ Transportation Commission Resolution**

May 2021

Resolution in Support of Michigan Senate Bills 433 and 434 of 2021 and Michigan House of Representatives Bills HB4835 and HB4836 of 2021

Whereas, Ann Arbor is trying to move toward being a city in which it is not necessary to drive a car. Nonetheless, most people who live or work in Ann Arbor do have to use cars at least some of the time;

Whereas, There are people in Ann Arbor who would legally be allowed to drive, but are currently restricted from obtaining a driver's license because of their immigration status;

Whereas, It is in everyone's interest that all drivers are trained, screened, and tested, to ensure that they are familiar with Michigan driving regulations;

Whereas, Driver's licenses remain the default form of identification, and lacking a drivers' license makes it much more difficult to raise a family, go to school, contribute to the state economy, and access housing and healthcare;

Whereas, Granting drivers licenses to undocumented immigrants is an important part of making our streets safer for everyone who uses them; and

Whereas, When everyone who is legally allowed to drive can obtain a driver's license our streets will be safer for immigrant drivers and their families, and safer for all road users by ensuring that everyone driving is trained and licensed to do so;

Whereas, Senate Bills 433 and 434 of 2021 and House of Representatives Bills HB4835 and HB4836 of 2021 would restore the rights of everyone who would be eligible to obtain a driver's license in Michigan, including undocumented immigrants;

RESOLVED, Ann Arbor Transportation Commission supports Michigan Senate Bills 433 and 434 of 2021 and Michigan House of Representatives Bills HB4835 and HB4836 of 2021; and

RESOLVED that the Ann Arbor Transportation Commission recommends that City Council pass a resolution in support of immediate passage of Senate Bills 433 and 434 of 2021 and Michigan House of Representatives Bills HB4835 and HB4836 of 2021 to ensure that all drivers are eligible to be trained, screened, and tested, to ensure that they are familiar with Michigan driving regulations.

¹ <http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2021-SB-0433>
<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?2021-SB-0434>
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