

## HB314 INTRODUCED



1      HB314  
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3      By Representative Butler  
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4       SYNOPSIS:

5               Under existing law, a motor vehicle may not be  
6               operated in this state if it has material or glazing  
7               applied to the front window that reduces light  
8               transmission or to the rear or side windows that  
9               reduces light transmission by more than a specified  
10              percentage.

11              Under existing law, active and retired law  
12              enforcement officers are exempt from this prohibition.

13              This bill would further exempt county and  
14              municipal prosecutors from this prohibition.

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17              A BILL  
18              TO BE ENTITLED  
19              AN ACT

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21              Relating to the operation of motor vehicles; to amend  
22              Section 32-5C-2, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for  
23              an exception to the prohibition on the operation of vehicles  
24              with tinted windows for personal vehicles of certain state,  
25              federal, or local employees.

26              BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

27              Section 1. Section 32-5C-2, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
28              amended to read as follows:



29 "§32-5C-2

30 (a) Except as provided in this chapter, a person shall  
31 not operate a motor vehicle registered in this state under  
32 either of the following conditions:

33 (1) With material or glazing applied or affixed to the  
34 front windshield which reduces light transmission through the  
35 front windshield.

36 (2) With material or glazing applied or affixed to the  
37 rear windshield or the side or door windows which ~~reduce~~  
38 reduces light transmission through the rear windshield or side  
39 windows to less than 32 percent or ~~increase~~increases light  
40 reflectance to more than 20 percent, with a measurement  
41 tolerance of at least~~3~~three percent. The light transmission  
42 shall be measured with a device or instrument capable of  
43 measuring light transmission before a person may be charged  
44 with a violation of this section, and the officer shall be  
45 equipped with such a meter before stopping the driver.

46 (b) This section does not apply to any personal use  
47 vehicles belonging to, and occupied by, any of the following:

48 (1) ~~active~~Active or retired state, local, or federal  
49 law enforcement officers.

50 (2) County or municipal prosecutors.

51 (c) All of the following individuals ~~active or retired~~  
52 ~~state, local, or federal law enforcement officers~~ shall carry  
53 ~~law enforcement~~proper employment identification while driving  
54 their personal use vehicles referenced in subsection (b):

55 (1) Active state, local, or federal law enforcement  
56 officers.



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57                   (2) Retired state, local, or federal law enforcement  
58                   officers.

59                   (3) County or municipal prosecutors."

60                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
61                   1, 2026.