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CHAPTER 47

## **HOUSE BILL 2680**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-958.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO VEHICLE EQUIPMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-958.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 28-958.01. Rear fender splash guards

5 A. A person shall not operate a truck, trailer, semitrailer or bus on  
6 a highway unless the vehicle is equipped with rear fender splash guards that  
7 comply with the specifications provided in this section.

8 B. The splash guards:

9 1. Shall be attached in a manner that prevents the splashing of mud or  
10 water on the windshield of other motor vehicles.

11 2. Shall extend to a length of not more than eight inches from the  
12 ground.

13 3. Shall be wide enough to cover the full tread or treads of the tires  
14 being protected.

15 4. Shall be installed close enough to the tread surface of the tire or  
16 wheel to control the side throw of the bulk of the thrown road surface  
17 material.

18 5. May be constructed of a flexible rubberized material.

19 6. Shall be attached in a manner that, regardless of movement either  
20 in the splash guards or the vehicle, the splash guards retain their general  
21 parallel relationship to the tread surface of the tire or wheel under all  
22 ordinary operating conditions.

23 C. This section does not apply to:

24 1. A vehicle commonly known as a pickup truck with a manufacturer's  
25 ~~rating of three-quarter ton~~ GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING OF TEN THOUSAND  
26 POUNDS or less, except that this section applies if the pickup truck has been  
27 modified from the original bumper height design to raise the center of  
28 gravity of the pickup truck.

29 2. A truck tractor or converter dolly when used in combination with  
30 another vehicle.

31 3. A single, TANDEM OR TRIPLE axle trailer with fenders THAT ARE wide  
32 enough to cover the full tread or treads of the tires being protected and  
33 that extend to a length of not more than fourteen inches from the ground.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 16, 2008.

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