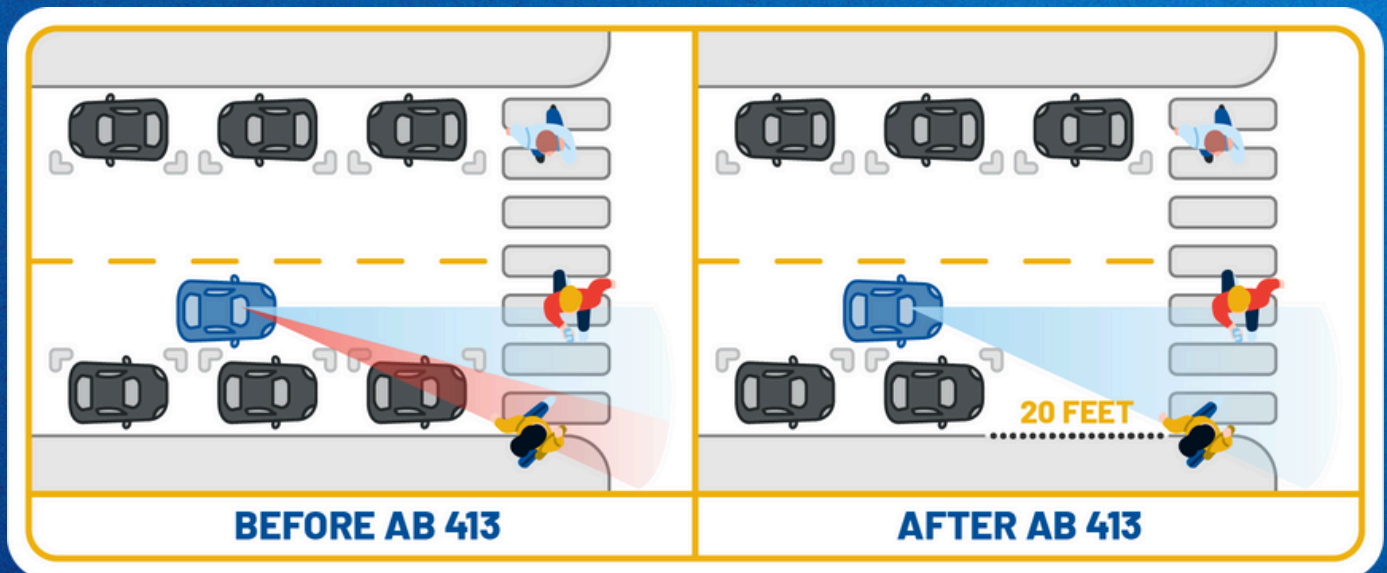


# AB 413

IMPROVING ROAD SAFETY FOR CALIFORNIANS

## CALIFORNIA'S DAYLIGHTING LAW



### LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

AB 413 helps reduce preventable traffic collisions and save lives through a traffic measure known as daylighting. The measure makes it easier for everyone on the road to see one another by removing visual obstructions around intersections.

This law, authored by State Assemblymember Alex Lee, keeps 20 feet of any marked or unmarked crosswalks or 15 feet of any crosswalk where a curb extension is present clear of parked vehicles.



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **What happens if I park at a daylighting zone?**

Local cities may begin issuing citations for people who park in daylighting zones starting on January 1, 2025.

### **Is daylighting effective?**

Roughly a quarter of all traffic fatalities nationwide occur around intersections. In California, the pedestrian death rate is nearly 25% higher than the national average. Daylighting is a simple and proven solution to improve road safety. In Hoboken, New Jersey, for instance, the safety measure has played a key role in helping the city curb traffic fatalities. Across the U.S., more than 40 states have already enacted daylighting laws.

### **How can I recognize daylighting zones?**

20 feet is about the length of a Ford F-150 or Dodge Ram. When it comes to daylighting zones at curb extensions, 15 feet is roughly equivalent to the length of a Honda Civic or Toyota Prius. Intersections may also include physical improvements like red curbs and bollards to prevent vehicles from stopping.

### **What's the difference between a marked and unmarked crosswalk?**

Marked crosswalks are indicated for pedestrian crossing by markings on the surface such as striped lines. Such indications are not present for unmarked crosswalks.

### **What is a curb extension?**

A curb extension narrows the roadway by extending the sidewalk into the road. These extensions aim to reduce the distance of pedestrian crossing and improve road users' visibility.

### **Can bicycles or motorized scooters be parked within 20 feet of a crosswalk?**

A local authority may allow parking for bicycles or motorized scooters within 20 feet of a crosswalk.

### **How can I learn more about this law?**

You can contact your local city officials for more about AB 413, and implementation of the law may differ for each local jurisdiction. The DMV has also updated its Driver's Handbook with information about AB 413.