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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.61 RCW  
4 to read as follows:

5 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the operator  
6 of a street legal motorcycle approaching a left turn intersection that  
7 is controlled by a triggered traffic control signal using a vehicle  
8 detection device that is inoperative due to the size of the street  
9 legal motorcycle shall come to a full and complete stop at the  
10 intersection. If the left turn signal fails to operate after one cycle  
11 of the traffic signal, the operator may, after exercising due care,  
12 proceed to turn left. It is not a defense to a violation of RCW  
13 46.61.050 that the driver of a motorcycle proceeded under the belief  
14 that a traffic control signal used a vehicle detection device or was  
15 inoperative due to the size of the motorcycle when the signal did not  
16 use a vehicle detection device or that any such device was not in fact  
17 inoperative due to the size of the motorcycle.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act takes effect September 1, 2008."

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19 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "signals;" strike the  
20 remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter  
21 46.61 RCW; and providing an effective date."

EFFECT: Removes the requirement that motorcyclists carry motor vehicle insurance, or other form of financial responsibility, in order to proceed against a red light. Updates the effective date.

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