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To: Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

From: Toronto Pedestrian Committee

Subject: Changes to the Official Ministry of Transportation of Ontario Driver's Handbook

## **Recommendations:**

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee recommended to the Public Works and Infrastructure Committee:

- 1. The General Manager, Transportation Services, be requested to review the Official Ministry of Transportation of Ontario Driver's Handbook and recommend changes to the Handbook, for consideration by the Government of Ontario, that would better educate drivers on sharing the road with cyclists, pedestrians, and public transit vehicles with an eye towards a safer and more inclusive road environment for all users.
- 2. The General Manager, Transportation Services, be requested to develop recommendations, for consideration by the Government of Ontario, to improve the ongoing training of Driving Instructors on sharing the road with cyclists, pedestrians and public transit vehicles with an eye towards a safer and more inclusive road environment for all users.

## Background:

The Toronto Pedestrian Committee on September 22, 2009, considered a communication (August 6, 2009) from Councillor Joe Mihevc, requesting that the Committee request staff to review the Driver's Education Manual and suggest changes to the Province that would better educate drivers on sharing the road with cyclists, pedestrians, and public transit vehicles with an eye towards a safer and more inclusive road environment for all users.

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