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AN ACT

To repeal section 307.175, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to transportation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 307.175, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 307.175, to read as follows:

307.175. 1. Motor vehicles and equipment which are operated by any
2 member of an organized fire department, ambulance association, or rescue squad,
3 whether paid or volunteer, may be operated on streets and highways in this state
4 as an emergency vehicle under the provisions of section 304.022 while responding
5 to a fire call or ambulance call or at the scene of a fire call or ambulance call and
6 while using or sounding a warning siren and using or displaying thereon fixed,
7 flashing or rotating blue lights, but sirens and blue lights shall be used only in
8 bona fide emergencies.

9 2. (1) Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, the following vehicles
10 may use or display fixed, flashing, or rotating red or red and blue lights:

11 (a) Emergency vehicles, as defined in section 304.022, when responding
12 to an emergency;

13 (b) Vehicles operated as described in subsection 1 of this section;

14 (c) Vehicles **and equipment** owned **or leased** by a contractor or
15 subcontractor performing work for the department of transportation, except that
16 the red or red and blue lights shall be displayed on vehicles **or equipment**
17 described in this paragraph only between dusk and dawn, when such vehicles **or**
18 **equipment** are stationary, such vehicles **or equipment** are located in a work
19 zone as defined in section 304.580, highway workers as defined in section 304.580
20 are present, and such work zone is designated by a sign or signs. **No more than**

21 **two vehicles or pieces of equipment in a work zone may display fixed,**
22 **flashing, or rotating lights under this subdivision.**

23 (2) The following vehicles **and equipment** may use or display fixed,
24 flashing, or rotating amber or amber and white lights:

25 (a) Vehicles **and equipment** owned or leased by the state highways and
26 transportation commission and operated by an authorized employee of the
27 department of transportation, **except that the amber or amber and white**
28 **lights shall be displayed on vehicles or equipment described in this**
29 **paragraph only when such vehicles or equipment are located in a work**
30 **zone as defined in section 304.580, highway workers as defined in**
31 **section 304.580 are present, and such work zone is designated by a sign**
32 **or signs;**

33 (b) Vehicles **and equipment** owned **or leased** by a contractor or
34 subcontractor performing work for the department of transportation, except that
35 the amber or amber and white lights shall be displayed on vehicles described in
36 this paragraph only when such vehicles **or equipment** are stationary, **such**
37 **vehicles or equipment are located in a work zone as defined in section**
38 **304.580, highway workers as defined in section 304.580 are present, and**
39 **such work zone is designated by a sign or signs;**

40 (c) Vehicles **and equipment** operated by a utility worker performing
41 work for the utility, except that the amber or amber and white lights shall be
42 displayed on vehicles described in this paragraph only when such vehicles are
43 stationary, **such vehicles or equipment are located in a work zone as**
44 **defined in section 304.580, a utility worker is present, and such work**
45 **zone is designated by a sign or signs.** As used in this paragraph, the term
46 "utility worker" means any employee while in performance of his or her job
47 duties, including any person employed under contract of a utility that provides
48 gas, heat, electricity, water, steam, telecommunications or cable services, or sewer
49 services, whether privately, municipally, or cooperatively owned.

50 3. Permits for the operation of such vehicles equipped with sirens or blue
51 lights shall be in writing and shall be issued and may be revoked by the chief of
52 an organized fire department, organized ambulance association, rescue squad, or
53 the state highways and transportation commission and no person shall use or
54 display a siren or blue lights on a motor vehicle, fire, ambulance, or rescue
55 equipment without a valid permit authorizing the use. A permit to use a siren
56 or lights as heretofore set out does not relieve the operator of the vehicle so

57 equipped with complying with all other traffic laws and regulations. Violation of
58 this section constitutes a class A misdemeanor.

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