OLR Bill Analysis SB 233

AN ACT AUTHORIZING USE OF STEADY BLUE LIGHTS ON WRECKERS.

SUMMARY

By law, registered wreckers may use steady or flashing yellow or amber lights. The bill further allows them to use (1) any combination of steady or flashing yellow and amber lights and (2) steady blue lights while the wrecker is stationary. The bill also makes technical and conforming changes.

Under existing law and the bill, registered wreckers may use these lights without getting a permit from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) commissioner.

Existing law, unchanged by the bill, also allows police officers and DMV inspectors operating a state or local police vehicle to use steady red, blue, or red and blue lights, visible from the vehicle's front.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2024

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 24 Nay 1 (03/19/2024)