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HOUSE BILL NO. 819

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS

MTR VEHICLE/EMERGENCY: Changes definition of "authorized emergency vehicle"

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:1(1), relative to motor vehicles; to provide for certain
3 personal vehicles be included in the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle";
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:1(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1. Definitions

8 When used in this Chapter, the following words and phrases have the
9 meaning ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context clearly indicates a
10 different meaning:

11 (1) "Authorized emergency vehicle" means a vehicle of a fire department,
12 a vehicle of the department's weights and standards police force, a police vehicle, a
13 privately owned vehicle belonging to members of an organized volunteer fire
14 department or fire district when so designated or authorized by the fire chief of that
15 fire department or fire district, a privately owned vehicle equipped with emergency
16 lights or sirens belonging to a peace officer or deputized parish or municipality
17 employee and being used in the course and scope of his employment to respond to
18 an emergency when such use is designated or authorized by the employing public
19 body, an industrial-owned vehicle assigned to members of a fire department or fire
20 district when so designated or authorized by the fire chief of that fire department or

1 fire district, a vehicle parked or stopped by elevator repair or construction personnel
 2 while responding to an elevator emergency, such ambulances and emergency
 3 medical response vehicles certified by the Department of Health and Hospitals that
 4 are operated by certified ambulance services, and emergency vehicles of municipal
 5 departments or public service corporations as are designated or authorized by the
 6 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development or by the chief of
 7 police of any incorporated municipality. For purposes of this Section, elevator repair
 8 shall be limited to those elevators that move people.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Adds privately owned vehicles owned by certain persons and used within the course and scope of certain employment to be included in the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle".

Proposed law adds a privately owned vehicle equipped with emergency lights or sirens belonging to a peace officer or deputized parish or municipality employee and being used in the course and scope of his employment to respond to an emergency when such use is designated or authorized by the employing public body to the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle".

(Amends R.S. 32:1(1))