

1 S.238

2 Introduced by Senator Clarkson

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Motor vehicles; colored lights; colored signal lamps; tow trucks;

6 wreckers

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize the

8 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to issue a permit for green signal lamps on

9 wreckers.

10 An act relating to the use of green signal lamps on wreckers

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1252 is amended to read:

13 § 1252. ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR SIRENS OR COLORED LAMPS,

14 OR BOTH; USE OF AMBER LAMPS

15 (a) Siren and signal lamp permits. When satisfied as to the condition and

16 use of the vehicle, the Commissioner shall issue and may revoke, for cause,

17 permits for sirens or colored signal lamps in the following manner:

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1 (7) One green signal lamp may be authorized for all wreckers, provided
2 that the Commissioner shall prohibit the use of the green signal lamp when the
3 wrecker is not recovering another vehicle or responding to an emergency.

4 (b) Amber signal lamps. Amber signal lamps shall be used on road
5 maintenance vehicles, service vehicles, and wreckers and shall be used on all
6 registered snow removal equipment when in use removing snow on public
7 highways and the amber lamps shall be mounted so as to be visible from all
8 sides of the motor vehicle. A vehicle equipped with an amber signal lamp may
9 not be issued a permit for the installation and use of a siren.

10 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

11 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.