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HOUSE BILL 48

Short Title: REACT-Use of Amber Lights.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Fletcher, Flaherty, Buchanan, Robinson; and Bowman.

Referred to: Judiciary III.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PERMIT CERTAIN RADIO EMERGENCY ASSOCIATED CITIZENS TEAMS (REACT) VEHICLES TO ACTIVATE AMBER LIGHTS WHILE OPERATING ON THE HIGHWAYS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-130.2 reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-130.2. Use of amber lights on certain vehicles.

All wreckers operated on the highways of the State shall be equipped with an amber-colored flashing light which shall be so mounted and located as to be clearly visible in all directions from a distance of 500 feet, which light shall be activated when at the scene of an accident or recovery operation and when towing a vehicle which has a total outside width exceeding 96 inches or which exceeds the width of the towing vehicle. It shall be lawful to equip any other vehicle with a similar warning light including, but not by way of limitation, maintenance or construction vehicles or equipment of the Department of Transportation engaged in performing maintenance or construction work on the roads, maintenance or construction vehicles of any person, firm or corporation, and any other vehicles required to contain a warning light. Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Team (REACT) vehicles may be equipped with amber lights which shall be activated only when the vehicles are ~~parked~~-parked; provided, however that REACT vehicles operated under contract to a county as an emergency response agency may activate amber lights while the vehicles are being operated over the highways in response to an emergency."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.