



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 867

January Session, 2019



**AN ACT CONCERNING SLOWING DOWN FOR GARBAGE TRUCKS,
RECYCLING TRUCKS AND OIL AND TANK VEHICLES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2019*) (a) For the purposes of
2 this section, "public service vehicle" means (1) a commercial motor
3 vehicle equipped with a garbage compactor, a detachable container or
4 a curbside recycling body, or (2) a tank vehicle.

5 (b) Except as provided in sections 14-233 and 14-234 of the general
6 statutes, the driver of a vehicle overtaking and proceeding in the same
7 direction of a public service vehicle that is stationary or traveling
8 significantly below the posted speed limit shall immediately reduce
9 speed to a reasonable level below the posted speed limit and pass to
10 the left of such public service vehicle at a safe distance. The driver shall
11 not again drive to the right side of the highway until safely clear of
12 such public service vehicle.

13 (c) Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

14 Sec. 2. Subdivision (1) of section 14-212 of the general statutes is
15 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
16 *October 1, 2019*):

17 (1) The following terms shall be construed as they are defined in
18 section 14-1: "Authorized emergency vehicle", "class 1 electric bicycle",

19 "class 2 electric bicycle", "class 3 electric bicycle", "commissioner",
20 "driver", "electric bicycle", "fuels", "gross weight", "head lamp", "high-
21 mileage vehicle", "highway", "light weight", "limited access highway",
22 "maintenance vehicle", "motor bus", "motorcycle", "motor vehicle
23 registration", "nonresident", "nonskid device", "number plate", "officer",
24 "operator", "owner", "passenger motor vehicle", "passenger and
25 commercial motor vehicle", "person", "pneumatic tires", "pole trailer",
26 "registration", "registration number", "second offense", "semitrailer",
27 "shoulder", "solid tires", "stop", "subsequent offense", "tail lamp", "tank
28 vehicle", "tractor", "tractor-trailer unit", "trailer", "truck" and "vanpool
29 vehicle";

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	14-212(1)

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1(b), "and proceeding in the same direction of" was inserted before "a public service vehicle" for clarity and accuracy.

TRA *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*