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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS, NOVEMBER 30, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for  
3 visual signals on authorized vehicles.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 4572 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania  
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:  
8 § 4572. Visual signals on authorized vehicles.

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10 (d) Emergency towing lights.--The following shall apply:

11 (1) A tow truck may be equipped with one or more  
12 flashing or revolving yellow lights and one or more flashing  
13 or revolving red lights to remove a disabled vehicle under  
14 one of the following conditions:

15 (i) Responding to a 911 dispatch.

16 (ii) Responding to a request from law enforcement

17 for the removal of a disabled vehicle.

1           (iii) Responding to a request from the owner or  
2           operator of the disabled vehicle.

3           (2) The manner in which the light or lights shall be  
4           displayed and the intensity shall be determined by regulation  
5           of the department.

6           (3) The combination of yellow and red lights specified  
7           in this subsection may be used only during the period in  
8           which the tow truck is at the incident to which it was  
9           dispatched or requested for the removal of a disabled  
10           vehicle. Use of the combination lights to and from the  
11           incident is prohibited.

12           (4) Unauthorized use of the lights specified in this  
13           subsection shall be a summary offense punishable by a fine of  
14           not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000.

15           Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.