

CHAPTER 84

MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATION — UTILITY MAINTENANCE AND SOLID WASTE OR RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE VEHICLES

H.F. 314

AN ACT relating to utility maintenance vehicles and solid waste or recycling collection service vehicles, and making penalties applicable.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321.1, Code 2017, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 89A. “*Utility maintenance vehicle*” means a motor vehicle operated by an employee or contractor of an entity, including but not limited to the state, a political subdivision of the state, or any commission, department, or agency thereof, an electric cooperative association, or a public or private corporation, in connection with the provision of utility services.

NEW SUBSECTION. 89B. “*Utility services*” means cable, electric, natural gas, telephone, telecommunication, water, and wastewater treatment services and includes but is not limited to the improvement, installation, maintenance, relocation, or repair of cables, fibers, pipes, utility poles, utility structures, wires, and associated right-of-way and other infrastructure associated with such services.

Sec. 2. Section 321.323A, subsection 2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

The operator of a motor vehicle approaching a stationary towing or recovery vehicle, a stationary utility maintenance vehicle, a stationary municipal maintenance vehicle, ~~or~~ a stationary highway maintenance vehicle, or a stationary solid waste or recycling collection service vehicle, that is displaying flashing yellow, amber, blue, white, or red lights, shall approach the vehicle with due caution and shall proceed in one of the following manners, absent any other direction by a peace officer:

Sec. 3. Section 321.423, subsection 2, paragraph h, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

h. A flashing amber light is permitted on a towing or recovery vehicle, a utility maintenance vehicle, a municipal maintenance vehicle, a highway maintenance vehicle, a solid waste or recycling collection service vehicle, or a vehicle operated in accordance with [subsection 6](#) or [section 321.398](#) or [321.453](#).

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