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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the display of flashing emergency signal  
 2 lamps by motor vehicles in funeral processions.  
 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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TRANSPORTATION

1 Section 1. Section 321.324A, subsection 1, Code 1999, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. For purposes of this section, "funeral procession"  
4 means a procession of motor vehicles accompanying the body of  
5 a deceased person during daylight hours which is being  
6 escorted by a vehicle continually displaying flashing its  
7 emergency signal lamps flashing-simultaneously and using  
8 lighted head lamps and identifying flags, and keeping all  
9 other motor vehicles with lighted-head-lamps flashing  
10 emergency signal lamps in close formation.

11 Sec. 2. Section 321.423, subsection 2, Code 1999, is  
12 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. h. On a motor vehicle which is part of a  
14 funeral procession pursuant to section 321.324A.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill amends Code section 321.324A to provide that  
17 motor vehicles taking part in a funeral procession shall use  
18 flashing emergency signal lamps. Currently, such motor  
19 vehicles are directed to use lighted headlamps.

20 The bill also amends Code section 321.423, which regulates  
21 the use of flashing lights on motor vehicles, to provide that  
22 motor vehicles taking part in a funeral procession are  
23 exempted from the prohibition on flashing lights on or in  
24 motor vehicles.

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