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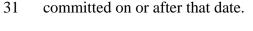
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HOUSE BILL 345

Short Title:	Modify Move Over Law. (Public)
Sponsors:	Representative Randleman (Primary Sponsor). For a complete list of Sponsors, see Bill Information on the NCGA Web Site.
Referred to:	Commerce and Job Development, if favorable, Transportation, if favorable, Judiciary Subcommittee B.

March 15, 2011

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1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MOVE OVER LAW TO INCLUDE ALL HIGHWAY
3	MAINTENANCE VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5	SECTION 1. G.S. 20-157(f) reads as rewritten:
6	"(f) When an authorized emergency vehicle as described in subsection (a) of this section
7	or any public service vehicle is parked or standing within 12 feet of a roadway and is giving a
8	warning signal by appropriate light, the driver of every other approaching vehicle shall, as soon
9	as it is safe and when not otherwise directed by an individual lawfully directing traffic, do one
10	of the following:
11	(1) Move the vehicle into a lane that is not the lane nearest the parked or
12	standing authorized emergency vehicle or public service vehicle and
13	continue traveling in that lane until safely clear of the authorized emergency
14	vehicle. This paragraph applies only if the roadway has at least two lanes for
15	traffic proceeding in the direction of the approaching vehicle and if the
16	approaching vehicle may change lanes safely and without interfering with
17	any vehicular traffic.
18	(2) Slow the vehicle, maintaining a safe speed for traffic conditions, and operate
19	the vehicle at a reduced speed and be prepared to stop until completely past
20	the authorized emergency vehicle or public service vehicle. This paragraph
21	applies only if the roadway has only one lane for traffic proceeding in the
22 23	direction of the approaching vehicle or if the approaching vehicle may not change lanes safely and without interfering with any vehicular traffic.
23 24	For purposes of this section, "public service vehicle" means a vehicle that is being used to assist
24 25	motorists or law enforcement officers with wrecked or disabled vehicles, or is a vehicle being
25 26	used to restore electric utility service service, including electric, cable, phone, or gas, due to an
20 27	unplanned event, or is a highway maintenance vehicle owned and operated by the State or a
28	<u>local government</u> , and is operating an amber-colored flashing light authorized by
29 29	G.S. 20-130.2. Violation of this subsection shall be negligence per se."
30	SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2011, and applies to offenses
31	committed on or after that date.





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