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S.B. No. 1715

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the offense of passing certain vehicles on a highway.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 545.157(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to the following vehicles:

(1) a stationary authorized emergency vehicle using visual signals that meet the requirements of Sections 547.305 and 547.702;

(2) a stationary tow truck using equipment authorized by Section 547.305(d); ~~and~~

(3) a vehicle operated by or for the Texas Department of Transportation, a county, a municipality, or a toll project entity, as defined by Section 372.001, [vehicle] not separated from the roadway by a traffic control channelizing device and using visual signals that comply with the standards and specifications adopted under Section 547.105; and

(4) a stationary vehicle operated by or for the Texas Department of Transportation, a county, a municipality, or a toll project entity, as defined by Section 372.001, assisting a stranded driver or a disabled vehicle and using visual signals that comply with the standards and specifications adopted under Section 547.105.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.