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H.B. No. 2681

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 Texas Department of Transportation 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 utility maintenance vehicle not separated from the roadway by a traffic control channelizing device and using flashing amber or blue lights.

SECTION 2. Section 545.157(e), Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (3) to read as follows:

(3) "Utility maintenance vehicle" means a motor vehicle operated by or for a utility, as defined by Section 203.091.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.