

AN ACT

relating to the criminal 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);

(3) a Texas Department of Transportation vehicle or a highway maintenance or construction vehicle operated pursuant to a contract awarded under Subchapter A, Chapter 223, 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;

(4) a service vehicle used by or for a utility, as defined by Section 203.091, and using visual signals that comply with the standards and specifications adopted under Section 547.105; ~~and~~

(5) a stationary vehicle used exclusively to transport municipal solid waste, as defined by Section 361.003, Health and

1 Safety Code, or recyclable material, as defined by Section [361.421](#),
2 Health and Safety Code, while being operated in connection with the
3 removal or transportation of municipal solid waste or recyclable
4 material from a location adjacent to the highway; and

5 (6) a vehicle operated by or pursuant to a contract
6 with a toll project entity, as defined by Section [372.001](#), using
7 visual signals that comply with the standards and specifications
8 adopted under Section [547.105](#).

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2048 was passed by the House on April 30, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 119, Nays 22, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2048 was passed by the Senate on May 20, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor