



AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE USE OF ALL COLORED LIGHTS EXCEPT BLUE ON SNOW-REMOVAL EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AMENDING SECTION 61-9-228, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Section 61-9-228, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-9-228. Standards for lights on snow-removal equipment. (1) The commission shall adopt standards and specifications applicable to headlamps, clearance lamps, and identification and other lamps on snow-removal equipment when operated on the highways of this state in lieu of the lamps otherwise required on motor vehicles by this chapter. ~~Such~~The standards and specifications may permit the use of flashing lights and all colored lights, except blue lights, for purposes of identification on snow-removal equipment when in service ~~upon~~on the highways. ~~The standards and specifications for lamps referred to in this section shall correlate with and so far as possible conform with those approved by the American association of state highway officials.~~

(2) ~~It shall be~~is unlawful to operate any snow-removal equipment on any highway unless the lamps ~~thereon~~on the equipment comply with and are lighted when and as required by the standards and specifications adopted as provided in this section."

Section 2. Legislative intent. It is the intent of the legislature that the department of transportation implement the provisions of [this act] within existing resources.

Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
HB 55, originated in the House.

Chief Clerk of the House

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2021.

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2021.

HOUSE BILL NO. 55

INTRODUCED BY D. LOGE

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE USE OF ALL COLORED LIGHTS EXCEPT BLUE ON SNOW-REMOVAL EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-9-228 AND 61-9-402 SECTION 61-9-228, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.