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Prime Sponsor: Edmonds

Catch Title: Emergency vehicles-tow trucks and wreckers.

Subject: Tow trucks as emergency vehicles.

Summary/Major Elements:

- This legislation adds tow trucks to the list of “authorized emergency vehicles” for purposes of the motor vehicle statutes. Authorized emergency vehicles are allowed to take certain actions on roadways that other vehicles are not.
- Tow trucks are considered to be emergency vehicles only while they are at the scene where a wrecked, disabled or stalled motor vehicle is located and when equipped with required lights.
- The legislation provides tow trucks are not covered by the provisions of W.S. 31-5-106(a), which allows emergency vehicles to speed, proceed through red lights, disregard traffic regulations and take other actions typically associated with a vehicle responding to an emergency.

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