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HOUSE BILL NO. 2289

Offered January 21, 2015

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-1028.1, relating to auxiliary lights on public utility vehicles.

Patrons—Wright and Edmunds

Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-1028.1 as follows: § 46.2-1028.1. Auxiliary lights on public utility vehicles.

Any electrical service utility vehicle owned and operated by a public utility, as defined in § 56-265.1, and having a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 15,000 pounds may be equipped with clear auxiliary lights that shall be mounted on the lower portion of the vehicle and aimed downward for the exclusive use of ground lighting. Such lights shall be of a type approved by the Superintendent and shall not be used in a manner that may blind or interfere with the vision of the drivers of approaching vehicles. In no event shall such lights be lighted while the vehicle is in motion.