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HOUSE BILL ***1020***

AN ACT relative to additional lights on emergency vehicles.

SPONSORS: Rep. Trottier, Belk. 6; Rep. Littlefield, Belk. 3; Rep. Bordes, Belk. 3

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill permits police and fire vehicles to affix certain lights to vehicles owned or leased by the state, county, or local municipality.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics.***
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 Additional Lights Approved for Police, Fire, State Department of Corrections, and Rescue Vehicles. Amend RSA 266:78-d to read as follows:

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I. Police, fire, state department of corrections, and emergency medical response vehicles, in addition to but not in place of the lights authorized by RSA 266:78-b and RSA 266:78-c, may be equipped with light bars containing one or more amber warning lights or amber arrow boards.

II. Police vehicles may affix red lights in accordance with federal standards only to the driver's side front and rear of its emergency lighting system, so long as such vehicles are owned or leased by the state, county, or local municipality. Privately owned vehicles used for official police function shall not be permitted to affix red lights in accordance with this paragraph.

III. Fire vehicles may affix a single blue light in accordance with federal standards to the passenger side rear emergency lighting system, so long as such vehicles are owned or leased by the state, county, or local municipality. Privately owned vehicles used for fire/emergency medical services shall not be permitted to affix a blue light to such vehicles.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.