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Present law provides for the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle." Proposed law adds private vehicles of trauma surgeons to the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle".

Present law provides for privately owned motor vehicles belonging to members of the emergency medical team to be equipped with a large flashing red light which shall have sufficient intensity to be visible at five hundred feet in normal sunlight.

Proposed law retains present law and provides for privately owned motor vehicles belonging to general trauma surgeons licensed by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, the American Board of Surgery or the American Board of Medical Specialties with a subspecialty in complex surgeries and actively practicing medicine in this state at a Level I, II or III trauma center to be equipped with emergency visual signals when en route to a medical emergency. Proposed law further provides for the office of public safety to develop a procedure and approval protocol, and rules and regulations including revocation or suspension of authority due to failure to comply with all rules and regulations.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 32:1(1) and 318(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the bill

1. Includes privately owned vehicles by trauma surgeons in the definition of "authorized emergency vehicles.
2. Adds surgeons responding to level II and III trauma centers.
3. Adds revocation or suspension of authority due to failure to comply with rules and regulations promulgated by the office of public safety.