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Abstract: Provides relative to the procedure for approaching authorized emergency vehicles and exempts Dept. of Transportation and Development (DOTD) vehicles from restrictions on lamp use.

<u>Present law</u> provides that when a vehicle is parked on or near the highway flashing amber or yellow warning lights, other drivers must yield the right of way by making a lane change or slow to a reasonably safe speed if a lane change is not possible.

<u>Proposed law retains present law</u> and extends to vehicles flashing green lights.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits a person from driving a vehicle on the highway with a lamp or device on the vehicle displaying a red or green light visible from directly in front of the center of the vehicle.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but excludes DOTD vehicles displaying green lights from the restrictions in <u>present law</u>.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 32:125(B)(intro. para.) and 327(B))