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2021 Wisconsin Act 255[2021 Senate Bill 508]

Warning Lamps on Highway Vehicles

Current law allows any department of transportation or county or municipal highway department vehicle which, by reason of its use upon a highway creates a vehicular traffic hazard requiring the exercise of unusual care in approaching, overtaking, or passing, to be equipped with a flashing red or amber lamp of the dome-light type or with two flashing red or amber lamps, one showing to the front and one showing to the rear.

2021 Wisconsin Act 255 expands the permissible colors of lights that may be used under these circumstance to include green. The act also expands the permissible lamp configurations to allow a vehicle to display two lamps to the front and two lamps to the rear.

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