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Senate File 207
By HATTERY, BATESON, WATSON of O'Brien.

Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Passed House, Date
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code
1950, relating to motor vehicles and law of road.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. Chapter three hundred twenty-one (321), Code
2 1950, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new
3 section:

4 "A motor vehicle operated by a member of an organized
5 volunteer fire department may be equipped with a lamp or device
6 thereon displaying a flashing blue light visible from directly in
7 front of such motor vehicle when such motor vehicle is duly
8 authorized as hereinafter provided and while such motor vehicle
9 is in actual use for fire or other emergency service."

10 "No volunteer fireman shall be permittd to display a
11 flashing blue light upon a motor vehicle as hereinbefore provided
12 except while actually enroutte to the scene of a fire or other
13 emergency requiring his services as a volunteer fireman and
14 unless he shall be an active member of an organized volunteer
15 fire department and shall have been authorized in writing to so
16 display a flashing blue light by the commissioner."

17 “The commissioner is hereby empowered to authorize the dis-
18 play of a flashing blue light upon a privately owned light de-
19 livery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, station wagon, or
20 passenger type motor vehicle except a motorcycle or motor bicycle,
21 owned or usually operated by a volunteer fireman, and to issue
22 a certificate of authorization therefor, upon written request
23 being made on forms provided by the department and showing neces-
24 sity for such authorization. Such written request shall be
25 accompanied by a statement in writing by the chief of the vol-
26 unteer fire department of which the applicant is a member cer-
27 tifying that the applicant is an active member in good standing
28 in said volunteer fire department and recommending that such
29 authorization be granted. Such certificate of authorization
30 issued by the commissioner shall be at all times carried with
31 the certificate of registration of the vehicle to which it refers
32 and shall expire at midnight on the thirty-first day of December
33 in the year in which it was issued. The commissioner may at any
34 time revoke such certificate of authorization upon a showing of
35 abuse thereof or upon notification by the certifying fire chief
36 that applicant has ceased to be an active member of the volunteer
37 fire department.”

38 “The provisions of section three hundred twenty-one point
39 four hundred twenty-three (321.423), Code 1950, shall not apply
40 to the use of a flashing blue light on a motor vehicle so author-
41 ized by the commissioner, but such flashing light shall not

42 be used except when such motor vehicle is actually enroute to the
43 scene of a fire or other emergency requiring the services of a
44 volunteer fireman.”