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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the display of flashing emergency signal  
2 lamps by motor vehicles in funeral processions.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321.324A, subsection 1, Code 2001, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. For purposes of this section, "funeral procession"  
4 means a procession of motor vehicles accompanying the body of  
5 a deceased person during daylight hours which is being  
6 escorted by a vehicle continually ~~displaying~~ flashing its  
7 emergency signal lamps ~~flashing-simultaneously~~ and using  
8 lighted head lamps and identifying flags, and keeping all  
9 other motor vehicles with lighted head lamps and flashing  
10 emergency signal lamps in close formation.

11 Sec. 2. Section 321.423, subsection 2, Code 2001, is  
12 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

13 NEW PARAGRAPH. h. On a motor vehicle which is part of a  
14 funeral procession pursuant to section 321.324A.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill amends Code section 321.324A to provide that  
17 motor vehicles taking part in a funeral procession shall use  
18 flashing emergency signal lamps in addition to lighted head  
19 lamps. Currently, such motor vehicles are directed to use  
20 lighted head lamps.

21 The bill also amends Code section 321.423, which regulates  
22 the use of flashing lights on motor vehicles, to provide that  
23 motor vehicles taking part in a funeral procession are  
24 exempted from the prohibition on flashing lights on or in  
25 motor vehicles.

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