

26 | through (112), respectively, subsection (1) and present
 27 | subsection (64) are amended, and a new subsection (54) is added
 28 | to that section, to read:

29 | 316.003 Definitions.—The following words and phrases, when
 30 | used in this chapter, shall have the meanings respectively
 31 | ascribed to them in this section, except where the context
 32 | otherwise requires:

33 | (1) AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.—Vehicles of the fire
 34 | department, ~~fire patrol~~, police vehicles, emergency management
 35 | vehicles, organ transport vehicles, and ~~such~~ ambulances and
 36 | emergency vehicles of municipal and county departments,
 37 | volunteer ambulance services, public service corporations
 38 | operated by private corporations, the Fish and Wildlife
 39 | Conservation Commission, the Department of Environmental
 40 | Protection, the Department of Health, the Department of
 41 | Transportation, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
 42 | Services, and the Department of Corrections as are designated or
 43 | authorized by their respective departments or the chief of
 44 | police of an incorporated city or any sheriff of any of the
 45 | various counties.

46 | (54) ORGAN TRANSPORT VEHICLE.—Any dedicated and marked
 47 | vehicle operated by an organ procurement organization,
 48 | transplant center, or its contracted service provider to
 49 | transport organs or surgical teams for organ recovery and
 50 | transplant. An operator of such vehicle must have completed a

51 16-hour emergency vehicle operator course.

52 (65)~~(64)~~ PRIVATE ROAD OR DRIVEWAY.—Except as otherwise
 53 provided in paragraph (90)(b) ~~(89)(b)~~, any privately owned way
 54 or place used for vehicular travel by the owner and those having
 55 express or implied permission from the owner, but not by other
 56 persons.

57 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
 58 316.072, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

59 316.072 Obedience to and effect of traffic laws.—

60 (5) AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLES.—

61 (a)1. The driver of an authorized emergency vehicle, when
 62 responding to an emergency call, when transporting organs or
 63 surgical teams for organ donation or transplant while en route
 64 to a hospital, an airport, or other designated location, when in
 65 the pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, or
 66 when responding to a fire alarm, but not upon returning from a
 67 fire;

68 2. A medical staff physician or technician of a medical
 69 facility licensed by the state or of a volunteer ambulance
 70 service when responding to an emergency in the line of duty in
 71 his or her privately owned vehicle, using red lights as
 72 authorized in s. 316.2398; or

73 3. The driver of an authorized law enforcement vehicle,
 74 when conducting a nonemergency escort, to warn the public of an
 75 approaching motorcade;

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 77 may exercise the privileges set forth in this section, but
 78 subject to the conditions herein stated.

79 Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 316.2397, Florida
 80 Statutes, is amended to read:

81 316.2397 Certain lights prohibited; exceptions.—

82 (3) (a) Vehicles of the fire department and fire patrol,
 83 including vehicles of volunteer firefighters as permitted under
 84 s. 316.2398, may show or display red or red and white lights.

85 (b) Vehicles of medical staff physicians or technicians of
 86 medical facilities licensed by the state or of volunteer
 87 ambulance services as authorized under s. 316.2398, ambulances
 88 as authorized under this chapter, and buses and taxicabs as
 89 authorized under s. 316.2399 may show or display red lights.

90 (c) Authorized emergency vehicles ~~of the fire department,~~
 91 ~~fire patrol, police vehicles, and such ambulances and emergency~~
 92 ~~vehicles of municipal and county departments, volunteer~~
 93 ~~ambulance services, public service corporations operated by~~
 94 ~~private corporations, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation~~
 95 ~~Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, the~~
 96 ~~Department of Transportation, the Department of Agriculture and~~
 97 ~~Consumer Services, and the Department of Corrections as are~~
 98 ~~designated or authorized by their respective department or the~~
 99 ~~chief of police of an incorporated city or any sheriff of any~~
 100 ~~county~~ may operate emergency lights and sirens in an emergency.

101 (d) Organ transport vehicles may show or display red
102 lights.

103 (e) Wreckers, mosquito control fog and spray vehicles, and
104 emergency vehicles of governmental departments or public service
105 corporations may show or display amber lights when in actual
106 operation or when a hazard exists provided they are not used
107 going to and from the scene of operation or hazard without
108 specific authorization of a law enforcement officer or law
109 enforcement agency.

110 (f) Wreckers must use amber rotating or flashing lights
111 while performing recoveries and loading on the roadside day or
112 night, and may use such lights while towing a vehicle on wheel
113 lifts, slings, or under reach if the operator of the wrecker
114 deems such lights necessary. A flatbed, car carrier, or rollback
115 may not use amber rotating or flashing lights when hauling a
116 vehicle on the bed unless it creates a hazard to other motorists
117 because of protruding objects. Further, escort vehicles may show
118 or display amber lights when in the actual process of escorting
119 overdimensioned equipment, material, or buildings as authorized
120 by law.

121 (g) Vehicles owned or leased by private security agencies
122 may show or display green and amber lights, with either color
123 being no greater than 50 percent of the lights displayed, while
124 the security personnel are engaged in security duties on private
125 or public property.

126 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 316.2398, Florida
 127 Statutes, is amended to read:

128 316.2398 Display or use of red or red and white warning
 129 signals; motor vehicles of volunteer firefighters or medical
 130 staff.—

131 (1) A privately owned vehicle belonging to an active
 132 firefighter member of a regularly organized volunteer
 133 firefighting company or association, while en route to the fire
 134 station for the purpose of proceeding to the scene of a fire or
 135 other emergency or while en route to the scene of a fire or
 136 other emergency in the line of duty as an active firefighter
 137 member of a regularly organized firefighting company or
 138 association, may display or use red or red and white warning
 139 signals. A privately owned vehicle belonging to a medical staff
 140 physician or technician of a medical facility licensed by the
 141 state or of a volunteer ambulance service, while responding to
 142 an emergency in the line of duty, may display or use red warning
 143 signals. An organ transport vehicle, while transporting organs
 144 or surgical teams for organ donation or transplant while en
 145 route to a hospital, an airport, or other designated location,
 146 may display or use red warning signals. Warning signals must be
 147 visible from the front and from the rear of such vehicle,
 148 subject to the following restrictions and conditions:

149 (a) No more than two red or red and white warning signals
 150 may be displayed.

151 (b) No inscription of any kind may appear across the face
 152 of the lens of the red or red and white warning signal.

153 (c) In order for an active volunteer firefighter to
 154 display such red or red and white warning signals on his or her
 155 vehicle, the volunteer firefighter must first secure a written
 156 permit from the chief executive officers of the firefighting
 157 organization to use the red or red and white warning signals,
 158 and this permit must be carried by the volunteer firefighter at
 159 all times while the red or red and white warning signals are
 160 displayed.

161 (d) An emergency medical technician, doctor, or paramedic
 162 who is using his or her personal vehicle with a red light to
 163 respond to an emergency call must have completed a 16-hour
 164 emergency vehicle operator course.

165 Section 5. Subsection (4) of section 316.271, Florida
 166 Statutes, is amended to read:

167 316.271 Horns and warning devices.—

168 (4) No vehicle shall be equipped with, nor shall any
 169 person use upon a vehicle, any siren, whistle, or bell, except
 170 as otherwise permitted in this section or s. 316.2397.

171 Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
 172 316.306, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

173 316.306 School and work zones; prohibition on the use of a
 174 wireless communications device in a handheld manner.—

175 (3)(a)1. A person may not operate a motor vehicle while

176 using a wireless communications device in a handheld manner in a
177 designated school crossing, school zone, or work zone area as
178 defined in s. 316.003(112) ~~s. 316.003(111)~~. This subparagraph
179 shall only be applicable to work zone areas if construction
180 personnel are present or are operating equipment on the road or
181 immediately adjacent to the work zone area. For the purposes of
182 this paragraph, a motor vehicle that is stationary is not being
183 operated and is not subject to the prohibition in this
184 paragraph.

185 2. Effective January 1, 2020, a law enforcement officer
186 may stop motor vehicles and issue citations to persons who are
187 driving while using a wireless communications device in a
188 handheld manner in violation of subparagraph 1.

189 Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 655.960, Florida
190 Statutes, is amended to read:

191 655.960 Definitions; ss. 655.960-655.965.—As used in this
192 section and ss. 655.961-655.965, unless the context otherwise
193 requires:

194 (1) "Access area" means any paved walkway or sidewalk
195 which is within 50 feet of any automated teller machine. The
196 term does not include any street or highway open to the use of
197 the public, as defined in s. 316.003(90) (a) or (b) ~~s.~~
198 ~~316.003(89) (a) or (b)~~, including any adjacent sidewalk, as
199 defined in s. 316.003.

200 Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.