

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0067

Operation of motor vehicles next to parked vehicles.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Sadler

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to operation of vehicles; providing for
2 operation of vehicles when approaching a parked vehicle;
3 and providing for an effective date.
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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*
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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-5-224 is amended to read:
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9 **31-5-224. Operation of vehicles upon approach of**
10 **authorized emergency vehicles; operation when approaching**
11 **parked vehicle.**
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13 (a) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized
14 emergency vehicle making use of audible or visual signals
15 meeting the requirements of W.S. 31-5-928 and 31-5-952, the
16 driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right-of-way
17 and shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and

1 as close as possible to, the right-hand edge or curb of the
2 roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain
3 in that position until the authorized emergency vehicle has
4 passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer.
5 When an authorized emergency vehicle making use of any
6 visual signals provided for in W.S. 31-5-928(d) or any
7 other vehicle when the vehicle is giving a signal by
8 displaying flashing amber lights is parked, the driver of
9 every other vehicle, as soon as it is safe:

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11 (i) When driving on an interstate highway or
12 other highway with two (2) or more lanes traveling in the
13 direction of the emergency or parked vehicle, shall merge
14 into the lane farthest from the emergency or parked
15 vehicle, except when otherwise directed by a police
16 officer;

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18 (ii) When driving on a two (2) lane road, shall
19 slow to a speed that is twenty (20) miles per hour less
20 than the posted speed limit, except when otherwise directed
21 by a police officer.

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23 (b) This section shall not operate to relieve the
24 driver of ~~an authorized emergency~~ any vehicle from the duty

1 to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons
2 using the highway.

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4 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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