

SB 14 - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **14**

AN ACT relative to the use of amber lights by plow operators.

SPONSORS: Sen. Feltes, Dist 15

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill eliminates the requirement that a plow operator be actively engaged in plowing in order to use amber lights.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen

AN ACT relative to the use of amber lights by plow operators.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Emergency Lights and Warning Lights; Use of Amber Lights. Amend RSA 266:78-i to read as
2 follows:

3 266:78-i Use of Amber Lights. Vehicles authorized to use amber colored warning lights
4 authorized by RSA 266:78-h may only illuminate the warning lights when their duties require them
5 to be stopped or parked on or immediately adjacent to a way at a road, water, or sewer line
6 construction or maintenance site in a manner that may impede or cause a hazard to traffic, when
7 actively engaged in the delivery of United States mail, or when [~~actively~~] engaged in snow removal
8 or ice treatment or when entering or leaving a way during plowing operations, or during repair or
9 placement of official traffic control devices, pavement marking, or **when** escorting an oversize load
10 or slow moving vehicle, or in the case of wreckers and emergency road service vehicles, when
11 maneuvering through congested traffic to reach a disabled vehicle, providing roadside service,
12 loading or unloading a vehicle, or [~~when~~] transporting a disabled vehicle.

13 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.