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Senate Bill 265 (Substitute S-3 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)
Sponsor: Senator Wayne Kuipers
Committee: Transportation

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to do the following:

- Permit a vehicle owned by a volunteer member of an emergency management unit of a local governmental entity, if authorized by that entity, to be equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating amber lights, which could be used only at the scene of a spill, emergency response action, complaint, or compliance activity.
- Permit an authorized emergency vehicle to be equipped with flashing, rotating, or oscillating green lights, for use only when that vehicle was the on-site command vehicle at the scene of an emergency.
- Permit certain vehicles—including vehicles used to perform public utility service, trash collection, highway repair and maintenance, or snow removal; vehicles used by peace officers, rural letter carriers, or newspaper delivery people; and implements of husbandry, certain military vehicles, and vehicles escorting or transporting an oversized load—to display white, as well as amber, flashing, rotating or oscillating lights.

The Code prohibits the use or possession of flashing, rotating, or oscillating lights of any color, except as permitted by law or as specified in the Code.

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Legislative Analyst: Curtis Walker

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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