THE FLORIDA SENATE 2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Transportation

CS/HB 463 — Lights Displayed on Fire Department Vehicles

by Transportation & Modals Subcommittee and Reps. Bartleman, Melo, and others (SB 1158 by Senators Bradley, Trumbull, and Perry)

The bill allows government-owned fire department vehicles, excluding vehicles of a fire patrol or volunteer fire departments, to display blue lights, in addition to red or red and white lights, as long as the vehicles meet the following criteria:

- Have a gross weight of 24,000 pounds or more;
- Are authorized in writing by the fire chief of the governmental agency; and
- Show or display the blue lights only on the rear of the government-owned fire department vehicle.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 118-0

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