HB 256 -- LIGHTS FOR TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

SPONSOR: Rhoads

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass-Consent" by the Committee on Consent and House Procedure by a vote of 12 to 0.

This bill removes a restriction on the use of white and amber lights by the state highways and transportation commission or contractors thereof so that lights may be used outside of work zones where vehicles are stationary and workers are present. Leased vehicles may now be equipped with such lights by the commission.

This bill has an emergency clause.

This bill is the same as SB 8 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will apply the same rule to vehicles leased for official state purposes or otherwise under contract for highway work.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Rhoads and Missouri Department of Transportation.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.