

CCS SS HB 1707 -- OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

(Vetoed by the Governor)

This bill changes the laws regarding the operation of motor vehicles.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRAFFIC CONTROL (Sections 174.709, 174.712, and 178.862, RSMo)

The board of trustees of any community college district may establish regulations to control vehicular traffic on any thoroughfare owned or maintained by the district and college police officers also must have authority to establish and enforce regulations to control vehicular traffic and enforce general motor vehicle laws of this state on any thoroughfare owned or maintained by the district. Any regulations established must be codified, printed, and distributed for public use.

A college police officer must have completed the peace officer training required under Chapter 590 or by virtue of previous experience or other training have met those requirements prior to employment and repeals the provision allowing a college police officer to complete the training within six months of being hired.

TOWING COMPANY OPERATIONS (Section 304.154)

Beginning January 1, 2015, a towing company operating a tow truck as in Sections 304.155 or 304.157 with the exception of a towing company located in specified counties must also display a verifiable business address in a location visible from the street; have a fenced, secure, and lighted storage lot or an enclosed, secure building with a total area for storing vehicles of at least 2,000 square feet and any fenced area must be a minimum of seven feet high; maintain an operational telephone with the telephone number published or available through directory assistance; have a valid insurance policy as prescribed by the United States Department of Transportation; and keep any initial tow performed under Sections 304.155 and 304.157 in the State of Missouri unless authorized by the vehicle owner or their agents. Except in Kansas City, a tow performed under Section 304.155 must not be dispatched through a third-party dispatch system or management company unless hired by the towing company.

The bill adds Franklin County to the counties exempt from these provisions.

TRAIN CREW MEMBER IDENTIFICATION (Section 389.065)

An engineer, conductor, brakeman, or any other member of the crew of a locomotive or train being operated upon rails, including operation on a railroad crossing over a public street, road, or highway, must not be required to display a driver's license to any law enforcement officer in connection with the operation of a locomotive or train within this state.

#### EXPUNGEMENT OF ARREST RECORDS (Section 610.122)

The bill allows an individual's record of arrest to be expunged under Section 43.503 if the court determines the individual was arrested for, or was subsequently charged with, a misdemeanor offense under Chapter 303 or any moving violation under Section 302.010 except for any intoxication-related traffic offense and:

- (1) Each offense or violation related to the arrest was subsequently nolle prossed or dismissed or the accused was found not guilty of each offense or violation; and
- (2) The person does not have a commercial driver's license and was not operating a commercial motor vehicle at the time of the arrest.

A record of arrest must only be eligible for expungement if the subject of the arrest has no prior or subsequent misdemeanor or felony convictions and no civil action is pending relating to the arrest or the records sought to be expunged.

#### FUNERAL PROCESSIONS (Section 300.320)

The bill repeals the provisions requiring a funeral procession to be identified by the display of a pennant or other identifying insignia on each vehicle.