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1 AN ACT Relating to identification of law enforcement vehicles; and
2 amending RCW 46.61.210.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.210 and 1965 ex.s. c 155 s 32 are each amended
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Upon the immediate approach of an authorized emergency vehicle
7 making use of audible and visual signals meeting the requirements of
8 RCW 46.37.190, or of ~~((a police))~~ an identifiable law enforcement
9 vehicle properly and lawfully making use of an audible signal only, the
10 driver of every other vehicle shall yield the right of way and shall
11 immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible
12 to, the right-hand edge or curb of the roadway clear of any
13 intersection and shall stop and remain in such position until the

1 authorized emergency or law enforcement vehicle has passed, except when
2 otherwise directed by a (~~police~~) law enforcement officer.

3 (2) A driver of a vehicle shall not be cited under this section if
4 the law enforcement vehicle is not clearly identifiable as a law
5 enforcement vehicle. Identification includes, but is not limited to,
6 the official insignia of the law enforcement agency, lettering
7 indicating the jurisdiction of the law enforcement vehicle, or the use
8 of visual signal devices affixed across the full width of the outside
9 of the vehicle.

10 (3) This section shall not operate to relieve the driver of an
11 authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for
12 the safety of all persons using the highway.