1	INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2019-023	
2	State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H3/18/19	
3	92nd General Assembly A Bill	
4	Regular Session, 2019 HOUSE BILL 1	293
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6	By: Representative Vaught	
7	Filed with: House Committee on Public Transporta	tion
8	pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-3	217.
9	For An Act To Be Entitled	
10	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS FOR A MOTOR	
11	VEHICLE USED AS A WRECKER OR TOW VEHICLE; AND FOR	
12	OTHER PURPOSES.	
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15	Subtitle	
16	TO AMEND THE LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS FOR A	
17	MOTOR VEHICLE USED AS A WRECKER OR TOW	
18	VEHICLE.	
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:	
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23	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-51-905(c), concerning the use of	
24	flashing emergency lights by emergency vehicles, is amended to read as	
25	follows:	
26	(c)(l) A motor vehicle used as a wrecker or tow vehicle permitted or	,
27	licensed under § 27-50-1203 may be equipped with:	
28	(A) amber Amber flashing or rotating emergency or warning	g
29	lights <u>:</u>	
30	(B) White and red flashing or rotating emergency or	
31	warning lights; or	
32	<u>(C) Both:</u>	
33	(i) Amber flashing or rotating emergency or warning	g
34	<u>lights; and</u>	
35	(ii) White and red flashing or rotating emergency	<u>or</u>
36	warning lights.	

1	(2) that The lights authorized under subdivision (c)(1) of this
2	section shall be displayed only during hazardous use in order that other
3	motorists and the public are aware of the special or hazardous use of the
4	wrecker or tow vehicle and exercise caution in approaching the wrecker or tow
5	vehicle at all time while the amber flashing or rotating emergency or warning
6	lights are in operation.
7	(2)(3) Equipage with or display of amber flashing or rotating
8	emergency or warning lights does not qualify a motor vehicle used as a
9	wrecker or tow vehicle as an emergency vehicle.
10	(3)(A) Red flashing or rotating emergency or warning lights on a
11	motor vehicle used as a wrecker or tow vehicle shall be operated only while
12	the wrecker or tow vehicle is stopped on or within ten feet (10') of a public
13	way and engaged in recovery or loading and hooking up an abandoned,
14	unattended, disabled, or wrecked vehicle.
15	(B) A wrecker or tow vehicle shall not operate forward-
16	facing red flashing or rotating emergency or warning lights while underway,
17	except as may be expressly authorized or required by law otherwise.
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19	/s/Vaught
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22	Referred requested by the Arkansas House of Representatives
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