Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 625

(Delegate Shank, et al.)

Commerce and Government Matters

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Emergency Vehicles - Use of Flashing Lights While Parking and Backing

This bill authorizes an emergency vehicle to use its flashing lights when parking or backing the vehicle within 100 feet of an entrance to a fire or rescue station. It also prohibits a driver from passing an emergency vehicle within 100 feet of an entrance of a fire or rescue station when the vehicle is parking or backing.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Emergency vehicles may use flashing lights when responding to an emergency call or fire alarm but not when returning. The Motor Vehicle Administration may suspend both driving privileges and registrations of vehicles with infractions related to emergency vehicles.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 392 (Senators Mooney and Munson) – Judicial Proceedings.

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