

Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Committee Statement LB 196

Hearing Date: February 14, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Schimek)

Title: Permit the Adjutant General to designate certain vehicles as military emergency vehicles

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

8 Yes Senators Adams, Aguilar, Avery, Friend, Karpisek, Mines, Pahls, Rogert

0 No

0 Present, not voting

0 Absent

Proponents: Representing:

Senator DiAnna Schimek Introducer

Anita Curington Military Department

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 196 allows the Adjutant General to designate publicly owned military vehicles as military emergency vehicles. They will be operated as emergency vehicles only when responding to a public disaster, war, riot or insurrection. Vehicles eligible for this designation include vehicles assigned to the Civil Support Team and the chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and high-yield explosives enhanced response force package.

The Adjutant General will develop and enforce standard operating procedures for military emergency vehicles.

The bill also provides that amber rotating or flashing lights will be displayed on vehicles of the Military Department for the purpose of convoy control. When military vehicles are operating as emergency vehicles, a flashing or rotating red light or red and white light will be displayed.

Explanation of amendments, if any: The committee amendment makes technical changes to harmonize and clarify the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle."	
	Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson