

State of ennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 287**

### **SENATE BILL NO. 1357**

#### By Gardenhire, Massey

#### Substituted for: House Bill No. 616

By Travis, Hazlewood, Hardaway, Bricken, Russell, Lynn, Vital, Greg Martin, Howell, Love, McCalmon, Hawk, White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 55 and Title 65, relative to vehicles that haul logs or pulpwood.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-405(e)(1), is amended by deleting the language "Except as provided in subdivision (e)(2)," and substituting instead the language "Except as provided in subdivisions (e)(2) and (3),".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-405(e), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(3) Notwithstanding subdivisions (e)(1) and (e)(2) to the contrary, a motor vehicle or trailer transporting a load of logs or pulpwood that protrudes at least four feet (4') beyond the end of the body or bed of the motor vehicle or trailer must have the following securely affixed to the end of the projecting load while the vehicle or trailer is loaded with the protruding logs or pulpwood:

(A) One (1) amber strobe-type lamp or amber blinking light, or one (1) amber LED strobe light or amber LED blinking light, which must be operating while affixed to the load; and

(B) At least two (2) red flags or at least two (2) fluorescent orange flags, which must be in good condition and visible while affixed to the load.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect October 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 13, 2023

Rady RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023

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