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41-6a-711 Following another vehicle -- Safe distance -- Exceptions -- Penalty.

- (1) As used in this section, "connected platooning system" means a system that uses vehicle-to-vehicle communication to electronically coordinate the speed and braking of a lead vehicle with the speed and braking of one or more following vehicles.
- (2) The operator of a vehicle:
 - (a) may not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having regard for the:
 - (i) speed of the vehicles;
 - (ii) traffic upon the highway; and
 - (iii) condition of the highway; and
 - (b) shall follow at a distance so that at least two seconds elapse before reaching the location of the vehicle directly in front of the operator's vehicle.
- (3) Subsection (2)(b) does not apply to:
 - (a) funeral processions or to congested traffic conditions resulting in prevailing vehicle speeds of less than 35 miles per hour; or
 - (b) the operator of a vehicle that is:
 - (i) part of a connected platooning system; and
 - (ii) not the lead vehicle.
- (4) A violation of Subsection (2) is an infraction.

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