

## **UTAH STATE SENATE**

## NOTICE OF BILL RETURNED TO THE RULES COMMITTEE

February 26, 2004

Mr. President:

The Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and Criminal Justice Committee has returned **H.B. 212**, TRAFFIC ACCIDENT RESPONSE, by Representative E. Hutchings, to the Rules Committee with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 1, Lines 14 through 16:
  - and will result in significant delays to the traveling public; [[and]]
  - 15 requires the Department of Public Safety to make rules to implement these
  - 16 provisions :
    - requires the Department of Transportation to make an annual report to a committee or task force designated by the Legislative Management Committee on the implementation of these provisions and the rules made under these provisions; and
      - makes technical changes
- 2. *Page 2, Lines 42 through 48:* 
  - 42 (4) (a) If a peace officer determines that a vehicle must be removed either as a result of
  - 43 <u>a crash or otherwise in accordance with this chapter, the peace officer shall remove or</u> cause the
  - 44 <u>vehicle to be removed by the quickest available</u> <u>safe</u> <u>means if:</u>
  - 45 (i) the incident is causing a safety hazard;
  - 46 (ii) the incident is causing traffic delays; and
  - 47 (iii) the traffic volume adjacent to the incident would result in significant delays to







H.B. 212

February 26, 2004 - Page 2

the

- 48 <u>traveling public if the vehicle is not removed by the quickest available</u> <u>safe</u> <u>means.</u>
- *3. Page 2, Lines 55 through 56:* 
  - 55 conflict with this Subsection (4); [[-and-]]
  - 56 (iii) allow a qualified tow truck in the proximity of the incident to respond if necessary :
    - (iv) require the peace officer to make a record of the reasons for the quickest available removal under this Subsection (4) and the tow truck motor carrier used for the removal; and
      - (v) provide that if a tow truck motor carrier is used:
    - (A) the peace officer shall make the request for the tow truck motor carrier through a public safety dispatcher; and
    - (B) any rules for the rotation of tow truck motor carriers shall require that the use of a tow truck motor carrier under this Subsection (4) is considered a turn for purposes of any rotation of tow truck motor carriers .
    - (5) The Department of Transportation shall make an annual report prior to the November meeting to a committee or task force designated by the Legislative Management Committee on the implementation of these provisions and on the rules made under Subsection (4) including statistical information on the use of a tow truck motor carrier out of rotation and the number of removals ordered under the provisions of Subsection (4).

Respectfully,

Gregory S. Bell Committee Chair

Voting: 0-0-0

14 hb0212.sc1.wpd 2/25/04 11:10 am rday/JM1 SCH/BNC

Bill Number

Action Class

