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[Passed February 21, 1963; in effect July 1, 1963.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section ten, article seven, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to intervals of space to be maintained by drivers of vehicles following other vehicles on public roadways.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten, article seven, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virgiina, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Article 7. Driving on Right Side of Roadway, Overtaking and Passing, etc.

Section 10. Following Too Closely.—(a) The driver of 2 a motor vehicle shall not follow another vehicle more

3 closely than is reasonable and prudent having due regard

- 4 for the speed of such vehicles and the traffic upon and
- 5 the condition of the highway.
- 6 (b) It shall be unlawful for the operator of any motor
- 7 truck, registered for a gross weight of more than eight
- 8 thousand pounds, bus, special mobile equipment, or any
- 9 motor vehicle drawing another vehicle operating upon
- 10 any roadway outside of a business or residence district,
- 11 to follow within two hundred feet of another motor
- 12 truck, bus, special mobile equipment or any motor ve-
- 13 hicle drawing another vehicle: Provided, That this pro-
- 14 vision shall not be construed to (1) prevent overtaking
- 15 and passing, (2) apply upon any lane specially desig-
- 16 nated for the use of motor trucks or combinations of ve-
- 17 hicles, or within any section of a roadway posted or
- 18 marked as a "no passing zone," (3) apply to any convoy
- 19 of vehicles of the military service of the United States
- 20 or of this state and (4) apply to funeral processions.
- 21 (c) Motor vehicles being driven upon any roadway
- outside of a business or residence district in a caravan or
- 23 motorcade whether or not towing other vehicles shall be
- 24 so operated as to allow sufficient space between each such

- 25 vehicle or combination of vehicles so as to enable any
- 26 other vehicle to enter and occupy such space without
- 27 danger. This provision shall not apply to (1) funeral pro-
- 28 cessions; or (2) any convoy of vehicles of the military
- 29 service of the United States or of this state.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that

the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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