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Introduced by M. of A. BRONSON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to the use of hazard lights when traveling at certain speeds

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision (e) of section 1163 of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 388 of the laws of 1970, is amended to read as follows:

(e) The driver of a vehicle equipped with simultaneously flashing signals as provided for in subdivision eighteen-a of section three hundred seventy-five **of this chapter** shall use such signals when **(i)** the vehicle is stopped or disabled on a public highway, except when such vehicle is stopped in compliance with a traffic-control device or when legally parked**; or (ii) when the driver is operating the vehicle at a speed slower than or equal to fifteen miles per hour below the posted maximum speed limit**. The driver of a vehicle so equipped may use such signals whenever necessary to warn the operators of following vehicles of the presence of a traffic hazard ahead of the signaling vehicle, or to warn the operators of other vehicles that the signaling vehicle may itself constitute a traffic hazard, taking into account traffic and highway conditions. No person shall use such signals for any other purpose.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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