

Amendments to Title 11 regarding Traffic Offenses



Wichita Police Department

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History



During the past legislative sessions, the Legislature has amended several state statutes relating to traffic offenses.

Amendments are necessary to bring the City's Ordinances into compliance with State Statutes.



Background



- Section 11.38.158 relating to transporting an open container of alcohol is amended to correct a codification error. The appropriate referenced code section defining “cereal malt beverage” is corrected.
- Section 11.38.300 pertaining to license plates is amended to include specific classifications of vehicles which may attach a license plate to either the front or back of the vehicle.



Background



- Section 11.37.070 pertaining to funeral processions is amended to clarify the duties of drivers to yield to processions and for drivers who are part of the procession to proceed together (less than 300 feet apart) during the funeral procession.
- Section 11.16.050 pertaining to obedience to police is amended to require that actions be taken “knowingly” by drivers.
- These Amendments make the ordinances consistent with recent state statute amendments.



Recommendations/Actions



- It is recommended that the City Council place the amendments on first reading and authorize all necessary signatures.

