

Honorable Brian Mason
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Dear Mr. Mason,

I am writing you today regarding the safety of tow truck operators performing work on the side of the roadway and the general motoring public. For many years Alberta has had a “slow down and move over” law, yet we continue to hear of tow truck operators having incidents or close calls on the side of the roadway.

As you are undoubtedly aware, in December 2017 Mr. Wayne Drysdale, MLA for the Grande Prairie Wapiti riding introduced Bill 215, the Tow Truck Safety Act. This bill would allow for tow truck operators to equip their trucks with blue and white lights to increase their visibility as well as being more easily recognized as a tow truck where an operator is likely to be working on the roadway. This bill has died and has not yet been reintroduced or further action taken on it.

I believe this will increase safety for tow truck operators and the general public on Alberta’s roadways and I urge you Mr. Mason, as Alberta’s Minister of Transportation to make changes to the Highway Traffic Act through regulation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your time and your commitment to keeping our tow truck operators and Alberta’s families safe on the roadways.

Regards,