

1 Sec. 50. 24 V.S.A. § 2296a is added to read:

2 § 2296a. RIGHT TO RECOVER EXPENSES FOR EMERGENCY

3 SERVICES

4 A municipal, county, or State entity that deploys police, fire, ambulance,
5 rescue, or other services to aid an operator of a vehicle who is stranded due to a
6 violation of 23 V.S.A. § 1006b, 1112, or 1434(c) or to move a vehicle that is
7 disabled due to a violation of 23 V.S.A. § 1006b, 1112, or 1434(c) may recover
8 from the operator or the operator’s employer in a civil action the costs of
9 providing services.

10 Sec. 50a. 23 V.S.A. § 1112 is amended to read:

11 § 1112. CLOSED HIGHWAYS

12 (a) Except by the written permit of the authority responsible for the closing,
13 a person shall not drive any vehicle over any highway across which there is a
14 barrier or a sign indicating that the highway is closed to public travel.

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16 ~~(c) A municipal, county, or State entity that deploys police, fire,~~
17 ~~ambulance, rescue, or other emergency services in order to aid a stranded~~
18 ~~operator of a vehicle, or to move a disabled vehicle, operated on a closed~~
19 ~~highway in violation of this section, may recover from the operator in a civil~~
20 ~~action the cost of providing the services, if at the time of the violation a sign~~

1 ~~satisfying the requirements of subsection (b) of this section was installed.~~

2 [Repealed.]