

(7) "Division" means such organizational subdivision of the State Police as is designated by the Superintendent of State Police to administer the provisions of this subtitle.

§ 13-102. *Licensing of inspection facilities.*

(a) *There is created within the State Police an Automotive Safety Enforcement Division. It shall have such number of employees as the superintendent may direct and as may be provided for in the annual state budget.*

(b) *The division shall inspect and approve registered dealers and approved facilities for ability to make inspections and corrections of equipment and mechanisms and shall issue licenses to qualified registered dealers and approved facilities. The license shall authorize the registered dealer or approved facility to attach certificates to vehicles upon the request of the seller of a used motor vehicle and to inspect and correct equipment and mechanisms for a vehicle for which a warning of defective equipment and mechanisms has been issued. The division is authorized to suspend or revoke for cause licenses issued to approved dealers or approved facilities and to require the surrender of a license and all pertinent paraphernalia upon suspension or revocation of a license.*

(c) *The division shall enforce the provisions of this subtitle in the counties of the State and in Baltimore City.*

§ 13-103. *Equipment required to meet standards fixed by department.*

*Every motor vehicle operated on the highways of the State shall be equipped with brakes, steering, horn, door handles, tires, exhaust system, lights, glass, windshield wipers, odometer, speedometer, bumpers and proper wheel alignment, wheels, wheel lugs, fenders, floor pans, hood and hood catches, and gas tank meeting the standards therefor as fixed and determined by the department. The department is authorized to promulgate the standards by means of rules and regulations.*

§ 13-104. *Warning for defective equipment and mechanisms.*

(a) *Whenever any member of the State Police or any officer of a county department, or any officer of a police department of a city with a population in excess of 5,000 persons, observes that a motor vehicle registered in Maryland is being operated with equipment and mechanisms which apparently do not meet the standards therefor as promulgated by the department, he shall stop the operator of the vehicle and issue to him a warning of defective equipment and mechanisms. The warning directs the owner of the vehicle to have the equipment and mechanisms which are indicated on the warning as apparently defective corrected at a place of the owner's choosing within a period of 10 days from the date of issuance of the warning and to forward to the division verification by an approved facility, signed and dated as required for a certificate, that on a date subsequent to the issuance of the warning the equipment and mechanisms so indicated comply with the standards prescribed by this subtitle.*