

such auxiliary light or lights shall be subject to all the restrictions of this section regarding direction of the beam.

The State Board of Motor Vehicle Headlight Inspection is hereby created. Said Board shall consist of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, the Marshal of Police of Baltimore City and the Secretary of the Automobile Club of Maryland. The members of said Board shall serve without pay and shall hold meetings at such times and places as in their judgment may be necessary. The said Board shall have power to adopt reasonable rules and regulations for the enforcement of this Act.

No person shall operate a motor vehicle upon any highway in this State equipped with an electric bulb or other lighting device of a greater rated capacity than thirty-two candle power, no matter how the same may be shaded, covered or obscured. Any person who shall turn all or any of his motor vehicle lights off for the purpose of avoiding arrest or identification shall be subject to a penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 90 days, or both fine and imprisonment.

All the provisions of this section 148 shall apply both to the operator of a motor vehicle and to the owner who causes or knowingly permits such motor vehicle to be equipped or operated contrary to any of such provisions.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the provisions of this Act are intended to be state-wide in their effect, and no city, county or other municipal sub-division of the State shall have the right to make or enforce any local ordinance or regulation which shall change, alter or affect the requirements thereof, and that all acts and parts of acts, laws and parts of laws, ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety, and being passed upon a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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