interest on said bonds semi-annually and to redeem said bonds. And when redeemed, said bonds shall be cancelled.

SEC. 5. 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 health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 29, 1949.

## CHAPTER 444

## (Senate Bill 223)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 200 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways," requiring school buses to be equipped with stop lights, and relating to the equipment and painting on school buses.

SECTION 1. Beit enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 200 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

- 200. (a) (Stop, Signals Front and Rear Vehicle Painted Orange and Black.) Such school bus shall also be equipped with stop signals visible both to the front and to the rear, and the body of such school bus shall be painted orange and black, with the orange color predominating. In addition, school buses shall be equipped with two rotary or flashing type red stop lights, both of which shall be affixed at the top of the bus on the front and rear, respectively, in such a manner as to be visible to other vehicles either approaching or following said bus. Said lights shall be lighted and operating at all times while said buses are loading or discharging school children but at no other time.
- (b) Any new school bus purchased from and after September 1, 1949, shall be equipped with stop signals visible both to the front and to the rear, and the body of any such school bus shall be painted black and national school bus