

the conditions under which the driver of a vehicle upon a highway shall not be required to stop upon meeting or overtaking a school bus.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 260 of Article 66<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1957 Edition and 1959 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", subtitle "Operation of Motor Vehicles Upon the Highways", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

260. (a) Section 259 shall be applicable only in the event the school bus shall be equipped with the school bus signs and stop signals and painted in the color scheme as prescribed in this article, and shall not apply to vehicles approaching such school bus from the front on dual highways.

(b) *The provisions of Section 259 of this article shall not apply, and the driver of a motor vehicle upon a highway meeting or overtaking a school bus shall not be required to stop, if the school bus has been pulled off of the travelled portion of the highway into a school bus loading zone, which has been constructed on the shoulder of the highway adjacent to the travelled portion of the highway, and the flashing signals of the school bus are not in operation.*

(c) *The driver of a school bus shall not pull off of the travelled portion of a highway for the purpose of receiving and discharging any school child or children, school teacher or school teachers, and at the same time not activate his flashing stop signals, except in school bus loading zones that have been constructed for this purpose, after the location of the same have been approved by the Superintendent of Schools in the County in which the school bus loading zone is located, and the Maryland State Police, and further that these school bus loading zones shall be restricted to locations where it will not be necessary for any school child or teacher to cross the travelled portion of the highway after being discharged, in order to reach their destination.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an acute emergency measure 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, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.*

Approved March 23, 1960.

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## CHAPTER 78

(House Bill 163)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 13, 15, 23 and 27 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland

**EXPLANATION:** *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.