

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 212 OF ARTICLE 66½ OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION), TITLE "MOTOR VEHICLES", SUB-TITLE "OPERATION OF VEHICLES UPON HIGHWAYS", AUTHORIZING THE STATE ROADS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM SPEED LIMITS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new sub-section be added to Section 212 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways", said new sub-section to be known as Sub-section (b) and to follow immediately after Section 212 of said Article, and to read as follows: THAT SECTION 212 OF ARTICLE 66½ OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION), TITLE "MOTOR VEHICLES", SUB-TITLE "OPERATION OF VEHICLES UPON HIGHWAYS", BE AND THE SAME IS HEREBY REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:*

212. (A) NO PERSON SHALL WILFULLY DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE AT SUCH A SLOW SPEED AS TO IMPEDE OR BLOCK THE NORMAL AND REASONABLE MOVEMENT OF TRAFFIC EXCEPT WHEN REDUCED SPEED IS NECESSARY.

(b) Whenever the State Roads Commission determines on the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation that slow speeds on a highway or any part thereof consistently impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, the Commission may determine and declare a minimum speed limit below which no person shall drive a vehicle except when necessary for safe operation or in compliance with the law, EXCEPT NOTHING HEREIN SHALL APPLY TO ANTIQUE MOTOR VEHICLES AS SAID TERM IS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 66½, SECTION 8.

(C) Violation of this sub-section shall be deemed a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine of \$1.00 to \$100.00.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.*

Approved April 3, 1959.

CHAPTER 336

(House Bill 396)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, sub-sections (r) and (s) of Section 81 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of

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.