

certain height; and generally relating to restrictions concerning bumpers on certain Class-E-trucks vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation  
Section 22-105  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

22-105.

(a) If any Class A (passenger) vehicle, any Class E ~~1/2- or 3/4-ton~~ truck WITH A MANUFACTURER'S RATING OR REGISTERED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING OF ~~10,000~~ 18,000 POUNDS OR LESS, or any Class M (multipurpose) vehicle has been altered in any manner that would reduce the effectiveness of its bumpers or render the vehicle dangerous in the event of a collision with another vehicle, it may not be operated on any highway in this State. The Motor Vehicle Administration and the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division of the Maryland State Police jointly shall adopt rules and regulations relating to bumpers as used in this section.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a person may not operate A VEHICLE on any highway in the State a ~~Class-A (passenger) vehicle THAT HAS BEEN ALTERED with a bumper that exceeds a height of 20 inches.~~

~~(c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a person may not operate on any highway in the State a Class E 1/2- or 3/4-ton truck WITH A MANUFACTURER'S OR REGISTERED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING OF 10,000 POUNDS OR LESS or a Class M (multipurpose) vehicle THAT HAS BEEN ALTERED with a bumper that exceeds a height of 20 inches. IF THE MANUFACTURER'S ORIGINAL DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE VEHICLE HAVE BEEN ALTERED IN ANY MANNER THAT CAUSES THE HEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE'S BUMPER TO EXCEED:~~

(1) IN THE CASE OF A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE, 20 INCHES;

(2) IN THE CASE OF A CLASS M (MULTIPURPOSE) VEHICLE, 28 INCHES;

(3) IN THE CASE OF A CLASS E TRUCK WITH A MANUFACTURER'S RATING OR REGISTERED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 10,000 POUNDS OR LESS, 28 INCHES; OR