

CHAPTER 275

(Senate Bill 60)

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement and Emergency Vessels – Emergency Lights or Signal Devices

~~FOR the purpose of limiting the use of certain flashing blue lights to law enforcement vessels; requiring vessel operators to stop and yield right of way to law enforcement vessels with emergency blue lights activated or if signaled to do so by a law enforcement officer; and providing a penalty for vessel operators who flee and elude or attempt to elude a police officer.~~

FOR the purpose of permitting certain individuals on certain law enforcement vessels to display and operate flashing blue lights or signal devices under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual on other vessels from displaying or operating such lights or signal devices; requiring a vessel operator to yield right-of-way and stop when approached by a law enforcement vessel operating a flashing blue light or signal device; prohibiting a vessel operator from eluding or attempting to elude a police officer under certain circumstances; permitting certain individuals on certain fire, rescue, and ambulance vessels to display and operate flashing, alternating red and yellow lights or signal devices under certain circumstances; prohibiting an individual on other vessels from displaying or operating such lights or signal devices; requiring a vessel operator to yield the right-of-way and stop when approached by a fire, rescue, or ambulance vessel operating a flashing, alternating red and yellow light or signal device; establishing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to law enforcement, fire, rescue, and ambulance vessels.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Natural Resources  
Section 8-727  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1990 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY adding to  
Article – Natural Resources  
Section 8-727.1  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1990 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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