

same and stating the local speed limit, and unless the notice is posted and maintained as aforesaid in a conspicuous manner, then the speed regulation provided in this subtitle shall prevail, any such local law or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding.

PUBLIC VEHICLES EXEMPT.

140t. All motor vehicles used by the Police Department of any city, town, village or county of this State, and all motor vehicles used by the Fire Department or Salvage Corps of any city, town, village or county of this State, and all ambulances, road rollers, street sprinklers, street sweepers or cleaners or traction engines used for the hauling of agricultural machinery, are hereby exempt from the provisions of this subtitle.

REPEAL.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts and laws and parts of laws inconsistent herewith or contrary hereto, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

EFFECTIVE.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect upon and from the date of its passage, but no prosecution based upon violations of Sections 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138 and 140 of this Act shall be brought for any offense committed prior to July 1, 1910; provided, that the plates and markers required by Section 132 of Chapter 449 of the Acts of 1906 are displayed upon such vehicles as required by said Section 132 of Chapter 449 of the Acts of 1906; and provided, that until July 1, 1910, certificates of registration of motor vehicles shall be issued by the Secretary of State as in Chapter 449 of the Acts of 1906 provided.

Approved April 5, 1910.

ARTICLE LIX.

LUNATICS AND INSANE.

CHAPTER 715.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 25 and 37 of Article 59 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1904, entitled "Lunatics and Insane," sub-title "Lunacy Commission"; and also to add seven more sections to said Article, to follow immediately after Section 38, and to be known, respectively, as Sec-