

thereof who causes or permits such motor vehicle to be equipped or operated contrary to any such provisions.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1st, 1939.

Approved May 3, 1939.

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CHAPTER 379.

(Senate Bill 133)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland and Baltimore City Charter (1938 Edition), said new section to be known as Section 878A and to follow immediately after Section 878 of said Article, relating to the classification and compensation of certain Detective Patrolmen and Patrolmen assigned to the Bertillon Bureau.

(Vetoed.)

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CHAPTER 380.

(Senate Bill 147)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Section 5 of Article 35 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Evidence", sub-title "Competency of Witnesses", relating to testimony by certain persons when called by an adverse party.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 5 of Article 35 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "Evidence", sub-title "Competency of Witnesses", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

5. In any suit, action or proceeding at law or in equity in any Court of this State, any party may call as a witness any adverse party or any officer, director or managing agent of a public or private corporation or of a partnership or association which is an adverse party, and interrogate him by leading questions and contradict and impeach him in all respects as if he had been called by the adverse party.