

equipment or standards; providing that certain equipment meet certain applicable federal standards; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the approval of vehicle equipment or standards, the Motor Vehicle Administrator's authority concerning vehicle equipment, and the modernization of provisions relating to the regulation of equipment under provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 22-102, 22-221(g), 22-230, 22-401(e), 22-403, 22-405.3, and 22-412

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Section 22-221(d), (e), and (f)

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

#### **Article - Transportation**

22-102.

(a) The Administrator [shall] MAY approve or disapprove any lighting device or other motor vehicle safety equipment components or assemblies of a type for which approval is specifically required in this title, within a reasonable time after approval has been requested. The approvals may be based on [certificates of approval furnished to the Administrator by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators] CONSULTATIONS WITH THE AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE.

(b) The Administrator may set up the procedure to be followed when requests for approval of any lighting device or other motor vehicle safety equipment component or assembly is submitted. The procedures may provide for submission of these devices, components, or assemblies to the [American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators instead of submission of the device, component, or assembly to the Administrator] AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE.

(c) [The Administrator shall maintain and distribute lists published by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators of all of these devices, components, or assemblies that have been approved by him under authority contained in this title. The Administrator shall fix a price for these lists that does not exceed the cost of the publication, as established by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, and the cost of reasonable handling charges.