
By: **Delegate Kagan**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Display of Flashing Amber Lights - Private Detectives and**
3 **Security Guards**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the display of flashing amber lights on a vehicle being
5 used by a private detective or a security guard while providing certain services;
6 and generally relating to the display of flashing amber lights on vehicles.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
9 Section 13-101(i) and 19-101(j)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Transportation
14 Section 22-218.2
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

20 13-101.

21 (i) (1) "Provide private detective services" means to provide, for
22 compensation, the service of:

23 (i) conducting an investigation that concerns:

24 1. a crime or wrong committed, assumed to have been
25 committed, or threatened to be committed;

1 19-101.

2 (j) "Security guard services" includes any activity that is performed for
3 compensation as a security guard to protect any individual or property, except the
4 activities of an individual while performing as:

5 (1) a marine guard or ship watchman, regardless of whether the guard or
6 watchman is stationed aboard a ship or on a pier; or

7 (2) a special police officer appointed and while performing under Article
8 41, Title 4, Subtitle 9 of the Code or § 16-16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of
9 Baltimore City.

10 **Article - Transportation**

11 22-218.2.

12 One or more amber flashing lights may be displayed:

13 (1) By a tow truck while at the scene of an accident or a disabled vehicle
14 or while towing a vehicle; [and]

15 (2) By snow removal and other highway maintenance and service
16 equipment and escort vehicles;

17 (3) ON A VEHICLE BEING USED BY A PRIVATE DETECTIVE WHILE
18 PROVIDING PRIVATE DETECTIVE SERVICES AS DEFINED IN § 13-101(I) OF THE
19 BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE; AND

20 (4) ON A VEHICLE BEING USED BY A SECURITY GUARD WHILE
21 PROVIDING SECURITY GUARD SERVICES AS DEFINED IN § 19-101 OF THE BUSINESS
22 OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS ARTICLE.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 1998.