
By: **Delegate Dewberry (By Request)**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Equipment of Vehicles - Fog Lamps**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the driver of a motor vehicle from using fog lamps in
4 conjunction with lower and upper headlamp beams; specifying that a violation of
5 this Act is not a moving violation for specified purposes; establishing a penalty;
6 and generally relating to the use of fog lamps by a driver of a motor vehicle.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 22-217(b)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

12 BY adding to
13 Article - Transportation
14 Section 22-217(e)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Transportation**

20 22-217.

21 (b) (1) Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not to exceed two fog lamps
22 mounted on the front at a height of not more than 30 inches nor less than 12 inches
23 above the level surface on which the vehicle stands, and so aimed that, when the
24 vehicle is not loaded, none of the high-intensity portion of the light to the left of the
25 center of the vehicle shall, at a distance of 25 feet ahead, project higher than a level of
26 4 inches below the level of the center of the lamp from which it comes.

27 (2) Lighted fog lamps meeting [these] THE requirements UNDER
28 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION may NOT be used [with] WHILE THE VEHICLE'S

1 UPPER OR lower [headlamp beams as specified in § 22-222(a)(2) of this subtitle]
2 HEADLAMPS ARE LIGHTED.

3 (E) (1) A VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (B)(2) OF THIS SECTION IS NOT
4 CONSIDERED A MOVING VIOLATION FOR PURPOSES OF § 16-402 OF THIS ARTICLE.

5 (2) A PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (B)(2)
6 OF THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$25.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2001.