

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1703

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AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; AMENDING 47 O.S.
1991, SECTION 12-228, WHICH RELATES TO SPECIAL
EQUIPMENT ON SCHOOL BUSES; PROVIDING FOR OPTIONAL
USE OF HEADLIGHTS ON CERTAIN BUSES; AND PROVIDING
AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 1991, Section 12-228, is amended to read as follows:

Section 12-228. (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety and the State Board of Education are authorized to adopt standards and specifications applicable to lighting equipment on and special warning devices to be carried by school buses consistent with the provisions of this chapter, but supplemental thereto. Such standards and specifications shall correlate with and, so far as possible, conform to the specifications then current as approved by the Society of Automotive Engineers. During the time any school bus is operating, the school bus ~~shall~~ may, at the option of the school board within each school district, have its headlights activated.

(b) It shall be unlawful to operate any red flashing warning signal light on any school bus except when any said school bus is stopped on a highway for the purpose of permitting school children to board or alight from said school bus.

(c) It shall be unlawful to operate any red flashing warning signal light on any church bus as defined in Section 1 of this act, except when any said bus is stopped on a highway for the purpose of permitting passengers to board or alight from said bus.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1992.

Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 1992.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1992.

President of the Senate