

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 43rd Legislature (1992)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2486

BY: MANAR and RHOADS (Karroll)

AS INTRODUCED

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; AMENDING 47 O.S.

1991, SECTION 12-228, WHICH RELATES TO SPECIAL
EQUIPMENT ON SCHOOL BUSES; REQUIRING AMBER FLASHING
WARNING SIGNAL LIGHTS ON CERTAIN BUSES; PROVIDING
AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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 have its headlights activated traveling on a state highway, except when the red flashing warning signal lights are activated during a stop for the release or boarding of passengers, the amber flashing warning signal lights on such bus shall be 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.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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