

# ENROLLMENT(S)



(5)

# COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## NOTICE

### D.C. LAW 12-162

#### **"Windshield Wipers and Headlamp Regulation Amendment Act of 1998".**

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P.L. 93-198 "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 12-480 on first and second readings, June 2, 1998 and June 16, 1998, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on June 26, 1998, pursuant to Section 404(e) of "the Act", and was assigned Act No. 12-405 and published in the August 7, 1998, edition of the D.C. Register (Vol. 45 page 5173) and transmitted to Congress on July 21, 1998 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 12-162, effective October 7, 1998.



LINDA W. CROPP  
Chairman of the Council

#### Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

July	21,22,23,24,27,28,29,30,31
Sept.	8,9,10,11,14,15,16,17,18,21,22,23,24,25,28,29,30
Oct.	1,2,5,6

AN ACT

D.C. ACT 12-405

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUNE 26, 1998

To amend title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to require the use of motor vehicle headlamps when the windshield wipers are being operated under certain conditions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Windshield Wipers and Headlamp Regulation Amendment Act of 1998".

Sec. 2. Section 703 of Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (Vehicles and Traffic) is amended by adding a new subsection 703.10 to read as follows:

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"703.10 In addition to the requirements of subsection 703.1, whenever a motor vehicle's windshield wipers are operated for a continuous period of time because of impaired visibility resulting from unfavorable atmospheric conditions, the vehicle headlamps shall also be lighted. Provided, however:

"(a) A violation of this subsection shall not constitute or be used as evidence of negligence or contributory negligence, limit liability of any party or insurer, or diminish the recovery for damages arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or operation of a motor vehicle.

"(b) A police officer may enforce the provisions of this subsection only as a secondary action when the police officer detains a driver of a motor vehicle for a suspected violation of another traffic regulation."

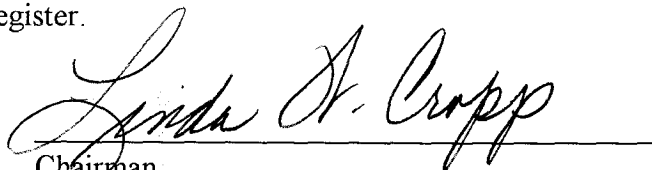
Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report for Bill 12-480 as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(3)).

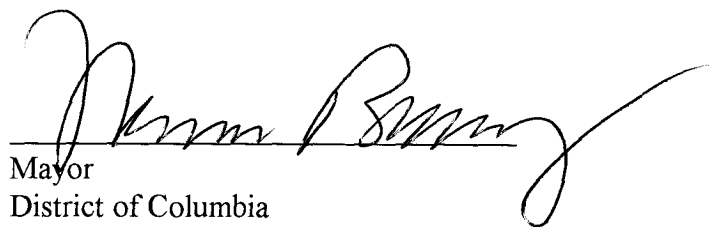
Sec. 4. This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), approval by the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995, approved

**ENROLLED ORIGINAL**

April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; D.C. Code § 47-392.3(a)), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ann R. Bowser", written over a horizontal line.

Mayor  
District of Columbia

APPROVED: June 26, 1998



## COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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## RECORD OF OFFICIAL COUNCIL VOTE

Docket No.

B12-480

☒ ITEM ON CONSENT CALENDAR☒ ACTION & DATE☒ VOICE VOTE  
RECORDED VOTE ON REQUESTADOPTED FIRST READING, 6-2-98  
APPROVED

CHAVOUS, JARVIS AND THOMAS

ABSENT

☐ ROLL CALL VOTE - Result

Councilmember	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Councilmember	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Councilmember	Aye	Nay	NV	AB
Chmn. Cropp					Chavous					Schwartz				
Allen					Evans					Smith, Jr.				
Ambrose					Jarvis					Thomas, Sr.				
Brazil					Mason									
Catania					Patterson									

X - Indicates Vote

AB - Absent

NV - Present not Voting

## CERTIFICATION RECORD

Secretary to the Council

June 18, 1998  
Date☒ ITEM ON CONSENT CALENDAR☒ ACTION & DATE☒ VOICE VOTE  
RECORDED VOTE ON REQUEST

ADOPTED FINAL READING, 6-16-98

APPROVED

CHAVOUS

ABSENT

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