

CHAPTER 550

H.B. No. 1947

An Act relating to the operation of a motor vehicle equipped with certain lights.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsection (c), Section 131, Uniform Act Regulating Traffic on Highways (Article 6701d, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(c) ~~Except [Flashing lights are prohibited except]~~ as authorized or required in Sections 122, 124, 125 and this section, a person may not operate a motor vehicle equipped with a beacon, flashing, or alternating light that is red, white, or blue in color [131]. This subsection does not prohibit the use of running lights, headlights, taillights, backup lights, or turn signal lights, in a manner authorized by law.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1985.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 2, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved: June 11, 1985

Effective: September 1, 1985