

No. 153  
AN ACT

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58) (Act No. 32), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," by bringing tractors, trailers and semi-trailers within the provisions of section 1207 and providing that the fee of magistrates in summary convictions shall include the cost of certified mail.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

The Vehicle Code.

Section 1. Section 1207, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58) (Act No. 32), known as "The Vehicle Code" is amended to read:

Section 1207, act of April 29, 1959, P. L. 58, Act No. 32, amended.

Section 1207. Magistrates' Fees for Summary Convictions.—In all cases of summary convictions relating to the use and operation of motor vehicles, *tractors, trailers or semi-trailers*, the fee charged by the magistrate shall be five dollars (\$5.00) which fee shall include all charges, including when called for the costs of postage and registered *or certified* mail and the costs of giving a transcript to the prosecutor or defendant, or both, if requested.

Section 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1959.

Effective date.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 154  
AN ACT

Amending the act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58) (Act No. 32), entitled "An act consolidating and revising the Vehicle Code, the Tractor Code, the Motor Vehicle Financial Responsibility Act and other acts relating to the ownership, possession and use of vehicles and tractors," by requiring motorcycles to be equipped with at least one rear red light.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

The Vehicle Code.

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 801, act of April 29, 1959 (P. L. 58) (Act No. 32), known as "The Vehicle Code," is amended to read:

Subsection (d), section 801, act of April 29, 1959, P. L. 58, Act No. 32, amended.

Section 801. Required Lighting Equipment.—

\* \* \* \* \*

(d) Rear Lamps and Illumination of Rear Registra-

tion Plate.—Every motor vehicle, and every trailer or semi-trailer attached to a motor vehicle, and every vehicle which is being drawn at the end of a combination of vehicles, shall carry at the rear at least two (2) lamps of a type which at the time of their use is approved by the secretary, and which exhibit a red light, plainly visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the rear of such vehicle. Such rear lamps or a separate lamp shall be so constructed and placed that the number plate carried on the rear of such vehicle shall, under like conditions, be so illuminated by a white light as to be read from a distance of fifty (50) feet to the rear of such vehicle. When the rear number plate is illuminated by an electric lamp, other than the required rear lamps, the three (3) lamps shall be turned on or off only by the same control switch at all times whenever head lamps are lighted: Provided, however That the requirement of at least two (2) red rear lamps on such vehicles shall apply only to vehicles initially registered in this Commonwealth on or after July 1, 1956. Vehicles initially registered in this Commonwealth prior to July 1, 1956, shall be required to carry one (1) red rear lamp rather than the two (2) red rear lamps as otherwise required by the provisions of this subsection. Tractors and motorcycles shall carry at least one (1) rear lamp which exhibits a red light plainly visible to the rear.

\* \* \* \* \*

Penalty.—Any person violating any of the provisions of subsection (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) or (f) of this section, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate be sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five (5) days. Any person violating any of the provisions of subsection (g), (h), (i), (j) or (k) of this section, shall, upon summary conviction before a magistrate, be sentenced to pay a fine of two dollars (\$2.00) and costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than one (1) day.

Effective date.

Section 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1959.

APPROVED—The 13th day of July A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE