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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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By: Representative Dawson

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 27-36-204 TO REQUIRE MOTOR VEHICLE HEADLIGHTS TO BE USED DURING PERIODS THAT THE USE OF WINDSHIELD WIPERS IS NECESSARY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas 27-36-204 is hereby amended to read as follows:

" 27-36-204. When lighted lamps required.

(a) Every vehicle, except motorcycles and motor-driven cycles, upon a highway within this state at any time from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise and at any other time when there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible persons and vehicles on the highway at a distance of five hundred feet (500') ahead shall display lighted lamps and illuminating devices as respectively required for different classes of vehicles, subject to exceptions with respect to parked vehicles as stated.

(b) Every motorcycle and every motor-driven cycle upon a street or highway within this state at any time shall display lighted lamps and illuminating devices as respectively required for different classes of vehicles, subject to exceptions with respect to parked vehicles as stated.

(c) Whenever a requirement is declared as to distance from which certain lamps and devices shall render objects visible or within which the lamps or devices shall be visible, the provisions shall apply during the times stated in subsection (a) in respect to a vehicle without load when upon a straight, level, unlighted highway under normal atmospheric conditions, unless a different time or condition is expressly stated.

(d) Whenever a requirement is declared as to the mounted height of lamps or devices, it shall mean from the center of the lamp or device to the level ground upon which the vehicle stands when the vehicle is without a load.

(e) Every vehicle, except motor vehicles and motor-driven cycles, on a

street or highway within this state shall display lighted lamps and illuminating devices, as respectively required for different classes of vehicles, during any period in which the driver's windshield wipers are used for cleaning rain, snow, or other moisture from the windshield.

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.