

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 22-186, to repeal Section 22-187 and to amend and reordain Section 22-188, all of Article VIII of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article VIII relates to BRAKES, HORNS AND OTHER MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, which Section 22-186 relates to BRAKES--WITHIN WHAT DISTANCE BRAKES SHOULD STOP VEHICLE, which Section 22-187 relates to BRAKES--TRUCKS, ETC. and which Section 22-188 relates to BRAKES--TRAILERS.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-186 of Article VIII of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-186. Brakes--Within what distances brakes should stop vehicle.

On a dry, hard, approximately level stretch of street free from loose material, the service * braking system shall be capable of stopping * a motor vehicle or combination of vehicles at all times and under all conditions of loading at a speed of twenty miles per hour within the following distances:

- (a) Passenger motor vehicles except buses, twenty-five feet.
- (b) Buses, trucks, and tractor trucks, forty feet.
- (c) All combinations of vehicles, fifty feet.

Section 2. That Section 22-187 of Article VIII of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is repealed.

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Section 3. That Section 22-188 of Article VIII of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-188. Brakes--Trailers.

(a) Every semitrailer or trailer or separate vehicle attached by a drawbar, chain or coupling to a towing vehicle and having an actual gross weight of three thousand pounds or more, shall be equipped with brakes controlled or operated by the driver of the towing vehicle which shall conform to the specifications set forth in * section 22-186 and shall be of a type approved by the superintendent of the department of state police.

(b) "Gross weight," for the purpose of this section, includes the load upon such semitrailer, trailer or separate vehicle.

(c) This section shall not apply to any vehicle being towed for repairs or in a bona fide emergency.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The Clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

CHARLES E. BEATLEY, JR.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: OCTOBER 8, 1968

N.B. Underlining and asterisks are not part of the ordinance but merely denote new or changed matter or deletions.