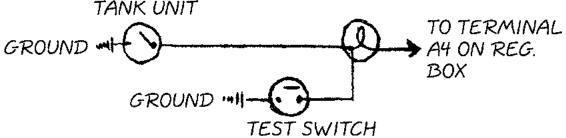


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FUEL LEVEL WARNING LIGHT TESTER

Judging from the grumblings I've heard, some of you have very little faith in your fuel level warning lights. The chief complaint seems to be that you have no way of knowing the bulb has burned out until the tank runs dry without warning, which invariably happens many miles from the nearest gasoline station. To avoid this unpleasantness, a tester switch can be installed which will enable you to determine in a few seconds whether the bulb is good. With this switch installed permanently in your car, you can test the bulb each time you use the car, or as often as necessary to ensure your peace of mind.

The most convenient installation can be made using a push-button switch of



the sort that makes contact when pushed and breaks contact when released. If original appearance is to be maintained, it can easily be concealed behind the facia. The switch is wired into the warning light, and the other terminal is wired to any convenient ground. No alterations to the existing wiring are necessary, and the normal operation of the warning light is not affected. When the button is pushed, it completes the circuit to ground just as if the tank unit had made contact, and the warning light should light. If the fuse blows instead, then you have most likely wired the test switch to the wrong side of the warning light.

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