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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program - Enhanced Testing - Indefinite Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of extending indefinitely the prohibition on requiring a certain motor  
4 vehicle being tested under the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program to undergo  
5 transient mass-emission testing, evaporative system integrity testing, a test that  
6 requires the removal of the driver from the vehicle being tested, on-road testing;  
7 providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to enhanced  
8 testing and testing procedures under the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

10 Article - Transportation  
11 Section 23-202(d)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Transportation**

17 23-202.

18 (d) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (c)(6) of this section or any other provision  
19 of law, [during the period from January 1, 1995 through May 31, 1996,] the emissions  
20 control program established under this subtitle may not require for any vehicle other than  
21 a State-owned vehicle or, to the extent authorized by federal law, a federally-owned  
22 vehicle:

23 (i) Transient mass-emission testing using the IM 240 driving cycle  
24 referenced under 40 C.F.R. Part 51;

25 (ii) An evaporative system integrity (pressure) test or an evaporative  
26 system transient purge test that requires the disconnection or manipulation of any engine  
27 component, including any hose or emissions equipment, that is located in the vehicle's  
28 engine compartment;

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1 (iii) Removal of the driver from a vehicle being tested or inspected; or

2 (iv) On-road testing.

3 (2) Nothing in this subsection prohibits the emissions control program from  
4 offering to vehicle owners, on a voluntary basis, any of the tests and inspections described  
5 in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 June 1, 1996.