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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program - Calvert County**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain components of the Vehicle Emissions Inspection  
4 Program in Calvert County under certain circumstances; providing for the effective  
5 date of this Act; and generally relating to the Vehicle Emissions Inspection  
6 Program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article - Transportation  
9 Section 23-202(a)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article - Transportation  
14 Section 23-202(d)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Transportation**

20 23-202.

21 (a) (1) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, the Administration and the  
22 Secretary shall establish an emissions control program in the State in accordance with the  
23 federal Clean Air Act.

24 (2) The program shall remain in effect only as long as required by federal  
25 law.

26 (d) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (c)(6) of this section or any other provision  
27 of law, during the period from January 1, 1995 through May 31, 1996, the emissions  
28 control program established under this subtitle may not require for any vehicle other than

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1 a State-owned vehicle or, to the extent authorized by federal law, a federally-owned  
2 vehicle:

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

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

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

10 (iv) On-road testing.

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

14 (3) THE TESTS AND INSPECTIONS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF  
15 THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE REQUIRED IN CALVERT COUNTY IF:

16 (I) THE COUNTY HAS BEEN RECLASSIFIED AS BEING IN  
17 ATTAINMENT OF APPLICABLE NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS; AND

18 (II) THE U.S. EPA APPROVES A MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR THE  
19 COUNTY THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THE TESTS AND INSPECTIONS DESCRIBED IN  
20 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
22 June 1, 1997.