

SENATE BILL 52

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**ENROLLED BILL**

-- *Judicial Proceedings/Commerce and Government Matters* --

Introduced by **Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee (Departmental -  
State Police, Dept. of)**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Police - Dissemination of Information to Public - Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the document search fee for copies of certain motor  
4 vehicle accident reports and related documents; and generally relating to copies  
5 of certain motor vehicle accident reports.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article 88B - Department of State Police  
8 Section 11  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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**Article 88B - Department of State Police**

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3       The Department shall at least monthly publish statistics concerning the  
4 occurrence and cause of all motor vehicle accidents within the State. The Department  
5 shall also publish periodic statistics of the incidence of crime within the State. No  
6 such statistical report shall name or otherwise identify a particular known or  
7 suspected offender. Reports required by this section shall be distributed to all  
8 agencies which contributed information contained in such reports, to the press, and to  
9 all other interested persons. In addition, the Secretary may prescribe by rule the  
10 conditions under which reports of specific motor vehicle accidents may be made  
11 available upon request to the public; and the fee for conducting a document search is  
12 [\$2] ~~\$5~~ ~~\$4~~ and the moneys received therefrom shall be used by the Department to be  
13 applied to the cost of providing this service.

14       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
15 effect July 1, 1998.