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By: **Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee (Departmental - State  
Police, Dept. of)**

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A BILL ENTITLED

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:

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

14 11.

15 The Department shall at least monthly publish statistics concerning the  
16 occurrence and cause of all motor vehicle accidents within the State. The Department  
17 shall also publish periodic statistics of the incidence of crime within the State. No  
18 such statistical report shall name or otherwise identify a particular known or  
19 suspected offender. Reports required by this section shall be distributed to all  
20 agencies which contributed information contained in such reports, to the press, and to  
21 all other interested persons. In addition, the Secretary may prescribe by rule the  
22 conditions under which reports of specific motor vehicle accidents may be made  
23 available upon request to the public; and the fee for conducting a document search is  
24 [\$2] \$5 and the moneys received therefrom shall be used by the Department to be  
25 applied to the cost of providing this service.

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

