
By: **Delegates Frush, Moe, Menes, and R. Baker**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Parking Citation - Expiration**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing that a citation issued for certain parking violations
4 expires and may not be enforced after a certain period of time; requiring the
5 Motor Vehicle Administration to remove a certain suspension or refusal of a
6 vehicle registration on the expiration of a certain citation; and generally relating
7 to vehicle laws and the expiration of parking citations.

8 BY adding to
9 Article - Transportation
10 Section 26-302(c)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
14 Article - Transportation
15 Section 26-305(a) and (b)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
19 Article - Transportation
20 Section 26-305(c)
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

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Article - Transportation

2 26-302.

3 (C) A CITATION ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL EXPIRE AND MAY NOT
4 BE ENFORCED AFTER 3 YEARS FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE CITATION IS ISSUED.

5 26-305.

6 (a) The Administration may not register or transfer the registration of any
7 vehicle involved in a parking violation under this subtitle, a violation under any
8 federal parking regulation that applies to property in this State under the jurisdiction
9 of the U.S. government, or a violation of § 21-202(h) of this article as determined
10 under § 21-202.1 of this article, if:

11 (1) It is notified by a political subdivision or authorized State agency
12 that a person cited for a violation under this subtitle or § 21-202.1 of this article has
13 failed to either:

14 (i) Pay the fine for the violation by the date specified in the
15 citation; or

16 (ii) File a notice of his intention to stand trial for the violation;

17 (2) It is notified by the District Court that a person who has elected to
18 stand trial for the violation under this subtitle or under § 21-202.1 of this article has
19 failed to appear for trial; or

20 (3) It is notified by a U.S. District Court that a person cited for a
21 violation under a federal parking regulation:

22 (i) Has failed to pay the fine for the violation by the date specified
23 in the federal citation; or

24 (ii) Either has failed to file a notice of his intention to stand trial for
25 the violation, or, if electing to stand trial, has failed to appear for trial.

26 (b) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the
27 Administration may suspend the registration of a vehicle involved in a parking
28 violation under this subtitle or a violation under any federal parking regulation that
29 applies to property in this State under the jurisdiction of the U.S. government if
30 notified in accordance with subsection (a) of this section that the violator is a chronic
31 offender.

32 (2) The Administration may adopt rules and regulations to define
33 chronic offender and develop procedures to carry out the suspension of registration as
34 authorized by this subsection.

35 (c) The Administration shall continue the suspension and refusal to register
36 or transfer a registration of the vehicle until:

1 (1) If the suspension or refusal was required under subsection (a)(1) or
2 (b)(1) of this section, the political subdivision or State agency notifies the
3 Administration that the charge has been satisfied;

4 (2) If the suspension or refusal was required under subsection (a)(2) or
5 (b)(1) of this section, the District Court notifies the Administration that the person
6 cited has appeared for trial or has pleaded guilty and paid the fine for the violation;
7 [or]

8 (3) If the suspension or refusal was required under subsection (a)(3) or
9 (b)(1) of this section, the U.S. District Court notifies the Administration that the
10 charge has been satisfied; OR

11 (4) IF THE SUSPENSION OR REFUSAL WAS REQUIRED UNDER
12 SUBSECTION (A)(1) OR (2) OR (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION, THE CITATION HAS EXPIRED IN
13 ACCORDANCE WITH § 26-302(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2000.