

# SENATE BILL 664

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By: **Senator Colburn**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Registration Plates Honoring Maryland Lighthouses**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and make  
4 available a specially designed registration plate honoring Maryland lighthouses;  
5 requiring the Administration to consult with the Chesapeake Chapter of the  
6 United States Lighthouse Society; specifying the vehicles that are eligible for  
7 the registration plate; requiring certain owners of vehicles issued the  
8 registration plate to pay a certain fee; restricting the amount and use of fees  
9 paid for registration plates under this Act; requiring the Administration to  
10 adopt regulations; and generally relating to registration plates honoring  
11 Maryland lighthouses.

12 BY adding to

13 Article - Transportation

14 Section 13-619.3

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 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 **13-619.3.**

21 (A) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER OF THE  
22 UNITED STATES LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL  
23 DEVELOP AND MAKE AVAILABLE FOR QUALIFYING VEHICLES A SPECIALLY  
24 DESIGNED REGISTRATION PLATE HONORING MARYLAND LIGHTHOUSES.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) THE OWNER OF A VEHICLE, OR A LESSEE OF THE VEHICLE UNDER A**  
2 **LEASE NOT INTENDED AS SECURITY, OR A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, OR**  
3 **PARTNER OF A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT OWNS THE VEHICLE CONSIDERED**  
4 **ELIGIBLE BY THE ADMINISTRATION MAY APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR**  
5 **AN ORIGINAL OR SUBSTITUTE REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER THIS SECTION IF**  
6 **THE VEHICLE IS INCLUDED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:**

7           **(1) A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE;**

8           **(2) A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A MANUFACTURER'S**  
9 **RATED CAPACITY OF 1 TON OR LESS;**

10          **(3) A CLASS E (FARM TRUCK) VEHICLE;**

11          **(4) A CLASS G (TRAILER) VEHICLE; OR**

12          **(5) A CLASS M (MULTIPURPOSE) VEHICLE.**

13          **(C) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE OTHERWISE**  
14 **REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE, AN OWNER OF A VEHICLE ASSIGNED A**  
15 **REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PAY A FEE ESTABLISHED BY**  
16 **THE ADMINISTRATION EACH TIME NEW REGISTRATION PLATES ARE ISSUED FOR**  
17 **THE VEHICLE.**

18          **(2) THE ADDITIONAL FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION:**

19                  **(I) MAY NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO**  
20 **RECOVER THE COSTS INCURRED BY THE ADMINISTRATION IN CARRYING OUT**  
21 **THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION;**

22                  **(II) IS NOT REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION OF A**  
23 **VEHICLE THAT IS EXEMPT UNDER § 13-903 OF THIS TITLE; AND**

24                  **(III) MAY NOT BE CREDITED TO THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR**  
25 **VEHICLE REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER § 8-403 OR § 8-404**  
26 **OF THIS ARTICLE.**

27          **(D) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO GOVERN**  
28 **THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER THIS SECTION.**

29           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
30 October 1, 2008.