SENATE BILL 714

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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By: Senators Garagiola, Ferguson, Forehand, Kelley, King, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Middleton, Miller, Montgomery, Peters, Ramirez, and Robey

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Transportation Trust Fund - Financing - Use of Funds

FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to establish a Transportation Trust Fund to be used only for purposes relating to transportation except in certain circumstances; prohibiting the reversion or crediting of any part of the Transportation Trust Fund to the General Fund of the State with a certain exception; prohibiting the reversion or crediting of any part of the Transportation Trust Fund to a special fund of the State with a certain exception; requiring that certain taxes, fees, charges, and revenues be credited to the Transportation Trust Fund; authorizing the use of funds in the Transportation Trust Fund for defense or relief purposes if the State is invaded or a major catastrophe occurs and the Governor and the General Assembly take certain actions and provide for the repayment of the funds; submitting an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection; increasing the motor fuel tax rates for certain motor fuel; requiring that the motor fuel tax rates for certain motor fuel be increased annually beginning on a certain date based on the annual percentage growth in a certain index; prohibiting an increase in certain motor fuel tax rates of more than a certain amount annually; requiring persons who hold tax-paid motor fuel on the date of an increase in the motor fuel tax to remit any additional tax due on the fuel; requiring the Comptroller to determine and announce the annual percentage growth in a certain index and the motor fuel tax rates for the next fiscal year by a certain date; defining a certain term; increasing certain motor vehicle registration fees; and generally relating to the financing and use of funds of the Transportation Trust Fund.

26 BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution

Article III – Legislative Department

Section 53

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, 2 Article – Tax – General 3 Section 9–305 Annotated Code of Maryland 4 5 (2010 Replacement Volume) 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, 7 Article – Transportation Section 13-912, 13-913, 13-914, 13-915, 13-916, 13-917, 13-919(f), 13-920(d), 8 9 13-921, 13-923, 13-924, 13-927, 13-930, 13-932, 13-933, 13-934, 13–935, 13–936(d) and (i), 13–936.1, 13–937, 13–937.1(c), 13–939, 10 11 13–939.1, and 13–939.2 12 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement) 13 14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Transportation 15 16 Section 13–918, 13–919(a), 13–920(a), 13–936(a), (b), (c), and (e), 13–937.1(a), 17 (b), (d), and (e) Annotated Code of Maryland 18 19 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement) 20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses 2122 concurring), That it be proposed that the Maryland Constitution read as follows: 23Article III - Legislative Department 24**53.** THERE IS A TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND. (A) 2526 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (C), (D), AND (F) OF THIS SECTION, THE FUNDS IN THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND MAY BE USED 27 **ONLY:** 2829 **(1)** FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND 30 INTEREST ON TRANSPORTATION BONDS AS THEY BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE: 31 AND 32**(2)** AFTER MEETING DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS **FOR** TRANSPORTATION BONDS, FOR ANY LAWFUL PURPOSE RELATED TO THE 33 34CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN ADEQUATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM IN THE STATE OR ANY OTHER PURPOSE RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION. 35

- 1 (C) (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, NO 2 PART OF THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND MAY REVERT OR BE CREDITED TO 3 THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.
- 4 (2) FUNDS FROM THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE REVENUE
 5 ACCOUNT IN THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND MAY BE DISTRIBUTED TO
 6 THE GENERAL FUND AS PROVIDED IN § 8–402 OF THE TRANSPORTATION
 7 ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2010.
- 8 (3) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY DECREASE, BUT MAY NOT
 9 INCREASE, THE PORTION OF FUNDS FROM THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE
 10 REVENUE ACCOUNT IN THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND THAT IS
 11 DISTRIBUTED TO THE GENERAL FUND UNDER § 8–402 OF THE
 12 TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2010.
- 13 (D) NO PART OF THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND MAY REVERT OR
 14 BE CREDITED TO A SPECIAL FUND OF THE STATE, UNLESS OTHERWISE
 15 PROVIDED BY A LAW THAT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2010.
- 16 (E) THERE SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST 17 FUND THE FOLLOWING TAXES, FEES, CHARGES, AND REVENUES:
- 18 (1) THE CASH PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF CONSOLIDATED 19 TRANSPORTATION BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF OBLIGATION 20 ISSUED FOR TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES;
- 21 **(2)** ALL FEDERAL FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE FOR 22 TRANSPORTATION PURPOSES;
- 23 (3) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF MOTOR FUEL TAX REVENUE 24 DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER TITLE 2, 25 SUBTITLE 11 OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON 26 OCTOBER 1, 2010;
- 27 (4) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF MOTOR CARRIER TAX
 28 REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER TITLE
 29 2, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE TAX GENERAL ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON
 30 OCTOBER 1, 2010;
- 31 (5) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF VEHICLE EXCISE TAX
 32 REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER §
 33 13–814 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER
 34 1, 2010;

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1 2 3 4	(6) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF CORPORATE INCOME TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER § 2–614 OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1 2010;
5 6 7 8	(7) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER TITLE 2, SUBTITLE 13 OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2010;
9 10	(8) VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES COLLECTED UNDER TITLE 13 SUBTITLE 9, PART II OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE;
11 12 13 14 15	(9) NOT LESS THAN THE PORTION OF REVENUE FROM ALL OTHER FEES COLLECTED BY THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTED IN WHOLE OR IN PART TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE AS IT WAS IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1 2010;
16 17 18 19	(10) OPERATING REVENUES FROM FARES, FEES, RATES, RENTALS AND OTHER CHARGES IMPOSED BY THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION MARYLAND AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, AND MARYLAND PORTADMINISTRATION FOR THE USE OF THEIR SERVICES OR FACILITIES;
20 21	(11) ALL OTHER FUNDS DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND UNDER A LAW IN EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1, 2010.
22 23	(F) THE FUNDS IN THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND MAY BE USED FOR DEFENSE OR RELIEF PURPOSES IF:
24 25	(1) THE STATE IS INVADED BY LAND, SEA, OR AIR, OR A MAJOR CATASTROPHE OCCURS;
26	(2) THE GOVERNOR:
27	(I) PROCLAIMS A STATE OF EMERGENCY;
28 29 30	(II) DECLARES THAT USE OF THE FUNDS FOR DEFENSE OF RELIEF PURPOSES IS NECESSARY FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY; AND

31 (III) PROPOSES A PLAN TO REPAY THE TRANSPORTATION 32 TRUST FUND, WITHIN 5 YEARS AFTER THE USE OF THE FUNDS, FOR ANY 33 AMOUNTS USED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THIS SUBSECTION; AND

- **(3)** THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, BY LEGISLATION PASSED UPON A 1 2 YEA AND NAY VOTE SUPPORTED BY THREE-FIFTHS OF ALL THE MEMBERS 3 ELECTED TO EACH OF THE TWO HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, CONCURS THAT THE USE OF THE FUNDS FOR DEFENSE OR RELIEF PURPOSES IS 4 NECESSARY AND APPROVES THE REPAYMENT PLAN PROPOSED BY THE 5 6 GOVERNOR. 7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 8 Article - Tax - General 9 10 9-305. 11 (A) The SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE motor fuel 12 tax rate is: 13 7 cents for each gallon of aviation gasoline; (1) 14 (2) [23.5] **33.5** cents for each gallon of gasoline other than aviation 15 gasoline; 16 [24.25] **34.25** cents for each gallon of special fuel other than (3)clean-burning fuel or turbine fuel; 17 18 (4) 7 cents for each gallon of turbine fuel; and 19 (5)[23.5]33.5 cents for each gasoline-equivalent gallon of 20 clean-burning fuel except electricity. 21(B) **(1) (I)** THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO THE MOTOR FUEL TAX 22 RATE EFFECTIVE BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013. 23 (II)AN INCREASE IN THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATE UNDER 24THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE FOR A PERIOD OF 1 YEAR. 25 **(2)** SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, FOR MOTOR FUELS SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (A)(2), (3), 26 27 AND (5) OF THIS SECTION, THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATE SHALL BE INCREASED
- 30 (I) THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATE IN EFFECT FOR THE 31 PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR; AND

ONE-TENTH OF A CENT, THAT EQUALS THE PRODUCT OF MULTIPLYING:

28 29 EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR BY THE AMOUNT, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST

1		(II)	THE	ANNUAL	PERCENT	AGE	GROWTH	IN	THE
2	CONSTRUCTION	COST	INDEX	AS DETER	MINED BY 7	THE C	OMPTROLI	ER 1	UNDER
3	SUBSECTION (C)((2) OF	THIS S	ECTION.					

- 4 (3) (I) FOR ANY FISCAL YEAR, THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATES
 5 MAY NOT BE INCREASED BY MORE THAN 1 CENT PER GALLON OVER THE RATES
 6 IN EFFECT FOR THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR.
- 7 (II) IF THERE IS NO INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE 8 GROWTH IN THE CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX, THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATES 9 SHALL BE THE TAX RATES IN EFFECT FOR THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR.
- 10 **(4)** THE COMPTROLLER **SHALL REQUIRE** ANY **PERSON** 11 POSSESSING TAX-PAID MOTOR FUEL FOR SALE AT THE START OF BUSINESS ON 12 THE DATE OF ANY INCREASE IN THE MOTOR FUEL TAX UNDER THIS SUBSECTION 13 TO COMPILE AND FILE AN INVENTORY OF THE MOTOR FUEL HELD AT THE CLOSE 14 OF BUSINESS ON THE PRECEDING DATE AND REMIT WITHIN 30 DAYS ANY 15 ADDITIONAL MOTOR FUEL TAX THAT IS DUE ON THE MOTOR FUEL.
- 16 (C) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX" MEANS
 17 AN INDEX PUBLISHED MONTHLY BY THE ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD THAT IS
 18 A WEIGHTED AGGREGATE INDEX OF THE PRICES OF CONSTANT QUANTITIES OF
 19 STRUCTURAL STEEL, PORTLAND CEMENT, LUMBER, AND COMMON LABOR.
- 20 (2) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMPTROLLER 21 SHALL DETERMINE AND ANNOUNCE:
- 22 (I) THE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE GROWTH IN THE 23 CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX BASED ON THE CHANGE IN THE INDEX REPORTED FROM THE PRECEDING APRIL THROUGH THE CURRENT APRIL INDEX; AND
- 25 (II) THE MOTOR FUEL TAX RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF THE 26 NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

27 Article – Transportation

28 13-912.

- 29 (a) When registered with the Administration, every passenger car and 30 station wagon, except as otherwise provided in this part, is a Class A (passenger) vehicle.
 - (b) For each Class A (passenger) vehicle, the annual registration fee is:

- 1 (1) For a vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping weight of 3,700 2 pounds or less [\$50.50] \$75.75; and
- 3 (2) For a vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping weight of more than 4 3,700 pounds [\$76.50] **\$114.75**.
- 5 13–913.
- 6 (a) (1) When registered with the Administration, every passenger motor 7 vehicle operated for the transportation of persons for hire, except a vehicle described 8 in paragraph (2) of this subsection, is a Class B (for hire) vehicle.
- 9 (2) The following vehicles are not subject to the classification specified 10 in this section:
- 11 (i) Any vehicle operated on a regular schedule and between 12 fixed termini; and
- 13 (ii) Any vehicle for which a different classification is specified in
- this part.
- 15 (b) For each Class B (for hire) vehicle, the annual registration fee is 16 [\$150.00] **\$225.00**.
- 17 13–914.
- 18 (a) When registered with the Administration, every motor vehicle operated 19 as an ambulance, a mortician flower coach or service wagon, or a funeral limousine or 20 coach is a Class C (funeral and ambulance) vehicle.
- 21 (b) For each Class C (funeral and ambulance) vehicle, the annual 22 registration fee is [\$100.00] **\$150.00**.
- 23 13–915.
- 24 (a) When registered with the Administration, every motorcycle is a Class D 25 (motorcycle) vehicle.
- 26 (b) For each Class D (motorcycle) vehicle, the annual registration fee is 27 [\$35.00] **\$52.50**.
- 28 13–916.
- 29 (a) When registered with the Administration, every single unit truck with 30 two or more axles is a Class E (truck) vehicle.

1 (b) For each Class E (truck) vehicle, the annual registration fee is based on the maximum gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles, as follows:

3	Maximum Gross Weight	Fee (per 1,000) Pounds
4	Limit (in Pounds)	or Fraction Th	nereof)
5	10,000 (minimum) - 18,000	[\$ 9.00]	\$13.50
6	18,001 - 26,000	[11.75]	17.63
7	26,001 - 40,000	[12.75]	19.13
8	40,001 - 60,000	[14.75]	22.13
9	60,001 - 80,000 (maximum)	[16.00]	24.00

- 10 13–917.
- Notwithstanding § 13–916(b) of this subtitle, for any Class E (truck) vehicle, the annual registration fee is **[**\$63.75**] \$95.63** if:
- 13 (1) The manufacturer's rated capacity is 3/4 ton or less; and
- 14 (2) The maximum gross vehicle weight is 7,000 pounds or less.
- 15 13–918.
- 16 (a) If a Class E (truck) vehicle is operated in combination with a nonfreight trailer or semitrailer under § 13–927(b)(1) of this subtitle, the Class E (truck) vehicle shall be registered for only the gross vehicle weight of the Class E (truck) vehicle and not the gross combination weight of the Class E (truck) vehicle and nonfreight trailer or semitrailer.
- 21 (b) If a Class E (truck) vehicle is operated in combination with a freight trailer or semitrailer, under § 13–927(c)(1) of this subtitle, the Class E (truck) vehicle shall be registered for the gross combination weight, which includes the gross weight of the Class E (truck) vehicle, and the freight trailer or semitrailer with which it is in combination.
- 26 13–919.
- 27 (a) On application, the Administration shall issue a special Class E "dump 28 service registration" to any applicant who certifies that the vehicle for which the 29 application is made is a Class E (truck) vehicle that:
- 30 (1) Is designed to haul cargo and to self–unload by gravity or 31 mechanical means; and
- 32 (2) Is to be used to haul feed or other loose materials in bulk.
- 33 (f) For each vehicle registered under this section, the annual registration fee 34 is the greater of:

1 2	vehicle; or	(1)	[\$26.	25] \$	39.3	8 for e	each tl	hou	ısand po	und	s of g	ros	s weigh	t of t	the
3		(2)	[\$1,0	50.00] \$1,	575.0	0.								
4	13–920.														
5	(a)	(1)	In th	is sect	tion,	"tow ti	ruck" r	nea	ans a veh	nicle	that:				
6 7	carry a vehi	icle by	(i) a hoist						icle that ;	t is	desig	ned	to lift,	pull,	or
8 9	pounds or n	nore; a	(ii) nd	Has	a ma	anufac	cturer's	s gi	ross veh	icle	weigł	nt r	rating of	10,0	000
10 11	defined in §	11–15	(iii) 1.1 of 1			_	a to	w t	cruck or	des	igned	as	s a roll	back	as
12 13	defined in §	(2) 11–17				, "tow	truck	" d	loes not	incl	ude a	a ti	ruck tra	actor	as
14 15 16	(d) each vehicle manufactur		tered ı	ınder	this	section	n, the	anı		٠,					
17			ıfactur			Weigh	ıt			Fee)				
18 19 20		10,00	g (in F 0 (or le than 2	ess) to	26,0	000			[\$185.0 [\$550.0	-	\$277 \$825				
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29			(ii)	The	annu	ıal reg	istrati	on	fee shall	be t	he gr	eat	er of:		
30				1.	Th	e fees	set for	rth	in para	grap	h (1)	of	this sub	section	on;

or

2. The fees set forth in § 13–916(b) of this subtitle. 1 2 13–921. 3 In this section, "farm truck" means a farm vehicle that: (a) 4 (1) Is a Class E (truck) vehicle: and 5 Has a shipping weight of its chassis and battery, as certified by the 6 manufacturer, of more than 3/4 ton. 7 On application, the Administration shall issue a Class E "farm truck 8 registration" to any applicant who certifies: 9 That the applicant is a farmer; and (1) That the vehicle for which the application is made is a farm truck, 10 (2)specifying its proposed use. 11 12 For each vehicle registered under this section, the annual registration fee is based on the maximum gross vehicle weight, as follows: 13 14 Maximum Gross Weight Fee (per 1,000 Pounds or Fraction Thereof) 15 Limit (in Pounds) 10,000 (minimum) - 40,00016 [\$5.00] **\$7.50** 40.001 - 65.000 (maximum) 17 [\$5.25] **\$7.88** 18 (d) Except as provided in § 8–602(c) of this article, a vehicle registered under 19 this section may not be used: 20 (1) For hire except to haul farm products for another farmer; or 21(2) In any manner other than as a farm truck. 2213-923. 23 (a) When registered with the Administration, every truck tractor or similar 24motor vehicle used for propelling, supporting, or drawing a trailer or semitrailer is a 25 Class F (tractor) vehicle. 26 For each Class F (tractor) vehicle, the annual registration fee is based on 27 the maximum gross weight of the vehicle in combination with a trailer or semitrailer, 28 as follows: 29 Maximum Gross Weight Fee (per 1.000 Pounds 30 Limit (in Pounds) or Fraction Thereof) 31 40,000 (minimum) - 60,000[\$21.00] **\$31.50**

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1	60,001 – 80,000 or more [\$22.50] \$33.75
2	13–924.
3 4	(a) In this section, "farm truck tractor" means a farm vehicle that is a Class F (tractor) vehicle.
5 6	(b) On application, the Administration shall issue a Class F "farm truck tractor" registration to any applicant who certifies:
7	(1) That the applicant is a farmer; and
8 9	(2) That the vehicle for which the application is made is a farm truck tractor, specifying its proposed use.
10 11 12	(c) For each farm truck tractor the annual registration fee is based on the maximum gross weight of the vehicle in combination with a trailer or semitrailer, as follows:
13 14 15 16	Maximum Gross Weight Limit (in Pounds) 40,000 (minimum) – 80,000 (maximum) Fee (per 1,000 Pounds or Fraction Thereof) [\$5.25] \$7.88
17 18	(d) A vehicle registered under this section may not be used for hire except to haul farm products for another farmer.
19 20	(e) A vehicle registered under this section may not be used in any manner other than as a farm truck tractor.
21	13–927.
22 23	(a) (1) When registered with the Administration, every trailer and semitrailer is a Class G (trailer) vehicle.
$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$	(2) A Class G (trailer) vehicle shall be classified as "freight" or "nonfreight".
26 27 28	(b) A nonfreight trailer or semitrailer is a vehicle designed for towing by a Class A (passenger) vehicle, a Class M (multipurpose) vehicle, or a Class E (truck) vehicle, and shall:
29 30	(1) (i) If towed by a Class E (truck) vehicle, have a gross weight of $20,\!000$ pounds or less; or
31 32	(ii) If towed by a Class A (passenger) vehicle or a Class M (multipurpose) vehicle, have a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or less; and

1		(2)	Be a:	
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2			(i)	Boat trailer;
3			(ii)	Camping trailer;
4			(iii)	Travel trailer;
5			(iv)	House trailer; or
6			(v)	Utility trailer.
7	(c)	A fre	ight tra	ailer or semitrailer shall be:
8 9	vehicle; and	(1)	Desig	gned for towing by a Class E (truck) or Class F (tractor)
10 11	E (truck) ve	(2) hicle;	(i) or	In excess of 20,000 pounds gross weight if towed by a Class
12 13	F (tractor) v	ehicle	(ii)	In excess of 10,000 pounds gross weight if towed by a Class
14 15	(d) maximum g			registration fee for a Class G (trailer) vehicle is based on the as follows:
16 17	nonfreight t	(1) crailer	_	pt as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, for a itrailer:
18 19 20 21 22 23			L	imum Gross Weight Fee imit (in Pounds) 3,000 or less [\$ 25.50] \$ 38.25 3,001 to 5,000 [51.00] 76.50 5,001 to 10,000 [80.00] 120.00 0,001 to 20,000 [124.00] 186.00
24 25	weight limit	(2) t (in po		a nonfreight trailer or semitrailer with a maximum gross of 10,001 to 20,000 that is titled on or after October 1, 2005:
26			(i)	The fee is [\$124.00] \$186.00 ; and
27 28	ranges:		(ii)	The vehicle shall be registered in one of the following weight
29 30				Maximum Gross Weight Limit (in Pounds)

1	10,001 to 11,000
2	11,001 to 12,000
3	12,001 to 13,000
4	13,001 to 14,000
5	14,001 to 15,000
6	15,001 to 16,000
7	16,001 to 17,000
8	17,001 to 18,000
9	18,001 to 19,000
10	19,001 to 20,000

- 11 (3) For a freight trailer or semitrailer the fee is [\$38.25] **\$57.38**.
- 12 13–930.

- 13 (a) In this section, "farm trailer or semitrailer" means a farm vehicle that is 14 a Class G (trailer) vehicle.
- 15 (b) On application, the Administration shall issue a special Class G "farm 16 trailer or semitrailer" registration to any applicant who certifies:
 - (1) That the applicant is a farmer; and
- 18 (2) That the vehicle for which the application is made is a farm trailer 19 or semitrailer, specifying its proposed use.
- 20 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this part, for each farm trailer or semitrailer, the annual registration fee is based on the maximum gross weight 22 limitations for the vehicle, as follows:

23	Maximum Gross Weight		
24	Limit (in Pounds)	Fee	
25	3,000	[\$12.75]	\$19.13
26	5,000	[25.50]	38.25
27	10,000	[40.00]	60.00
28	20,000	[62.00]	93.00

- 29 (d) A vehicle registered under this section may not be used for hire except to 30 haul farm products for another farmer.
- 31 (e) A vehicle registered under this section may not be used in any manner 32 other than as a farm trailer or semitrailer.
- 33 13–932.
- 34 (a) When registered with the Administration, every school vehicle is a Class 35 H (school) vehicle.

- 1 (b) For each Type I school vehicle, the annual registration fee is:
- 2 (1) If the vehicle is a school bus only operated for the transportation of children, students, or teachers for educational purposes or in connection with a school activity or, with approval from a board of education in any county, to provide transportation for persons 60 years of age or older to civic, educational, social, or recreational activities [\$51.00] \$76.50; and
- 7 (2) If the vehicle is a school bus charter operated for any purpose in addition to that specified in item (1) of this subsection [\$150.00] **\$225.00**, less any amount paid under item (1) of this subsection.
- 10 (c) For each Type II school vehicle, the annual registration fee is [\$51.00] 11 **\$76.50**.
- 12 13–933.
- 13 (a) When registered with the Administration, every bus operated under 14 charter or for hire is a Class P (passenger bus) vehicle.
- 15 (b) For each Class P (passenger bus) vehicle, the annual registration fee is based on the seating capacity of the bus, as follows:

17	Seating Capacity	Fee
18	20 or less	[\$275.00] \$ 412.50
19	21 to 35	[525.00] 787.50
20	36 or more	[875.00] 1,312.50

- 21 13–934.
- When registered with the Administration, every vehicle used as a vanpool vehicle is a Class J (vanpool) vehicle.
- 24 (b) For each Class J (vanpool) vehicle, the annual registration fee is [\$76.50] 25 \$115.75.
- 26 13–935.
- 27 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 28 (2) "Farm area motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle owned by a 29 farmer and operated only on a farm or on a highway within a 10-mile radius of the 30 farm.
- 31 (3) "Island vehicle" means a motor vehicle, other than a golf cart, 32 operated exclusively on an island that:

1	(i) Is not accessible by a highway;
2	(ii) Does not have State maintained highways; and
3	(iii) Contains less than 20 miles of highways.
4 5 6	(b) If registered with the Administration under this section, every farm area motor vehicle, every island vehicle, and every vehicle that meets the requirements of subsection (d)(1) of this section is a Class K (farm area/island) vehicle.
7 8	(c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, for each Class K (farm area/island) vehicle, the annual registration fee is [\$2.50] \$3.75 .
9 10	(d) (1) The Administration may issue a temporary registration under this section to a vehicle, other than an island vehicle, that:
11 12 13	(i) Is owned by a resident of another state, or a company operating out of another state, if the individual or company is under contract with a Maryland farmer to conduct seasonal harvesting operations in this State;
14 15	(ii) Is used to transport perishable commodities directly between a farm and a packing plant for sorting and processing;
16 17	(iii) Passes a level 1 safety inspection conducted by the Department of State Police; and
18 19	(iv) Is only operated within a 35-mile radius of the location where the seasonal harvesting operations will occur.
20 21	(2) A temporary registration issued under this subsection may not be in effect for more than 90 days.
22 23	(3) The Department of State Police shall establish a weight limitation for vehicles registered under this subsection.
24 25 26	(4) A vehicle issued temporary registration under this subsection shall meet the mandatory minimum security requirements of Title 17, Subtitle 1 of this article.
27 28 29	(5) A person may not operate a vehicle registered under this subsection unless the person holds a driver's license issued under Title 16 of this article, or a license to drive issued by the state of the person's residence.
30	(6) The Administration may establish a fee for a temporary

registration issued under this subsection.

13–936.1.

1 An island vehicle registered under this section may not be operated on a (e) 2 highway in the State that is not on an island described in subsection (a)(3) of this 3 section. 4 13-936. In this section, "historic motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle, including 5 (a) 6 a passenger vehicle, motorcycle, or truck that: 7 Is at least 20 years old; (1) 8 (2)Has not been substantially altered from the manufacturer's 9 original design; and 10 (3)Meets criteria contained in regulations adopted by the 11 Administration. 12 (b) In this section, "historic motor vehicle" does not include a vehicle that has 13 been remanufactured or reconstructed as a replica of an original vehicle. 14 If registered with the Administration under this section, every historic (c) motor vehicle is a Class L (historic) vehicle. 15 16 (d) Except as provided in subsection (i) of this section, for each Class L 17 (historic) vehicle, the annual registration fee is [\$25.50] \$38.25. 18 (e) In applying for registration of a historic motor vehicle under this section, 19 the owner of the vehicle shall submit with the application a certification that the 20 vehicle for which the application is made: 21(1) Will be maintained for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades, 22tours, occasional transportation, and similar uses; and 23 **(2)** Will not be used: 24(i) For general daily transportation; or 25(ii) Primarily for the transportation of passengers or property on 26 highways. 27 (i) (1) For a motor vehicle manufactured at least 60 years prior to the 28 current model year, there is a onetime registration fee of [\$50.00] \$75.00. 29 (2)Registration of a motor vehicle manufactured under this subsection 30 is not transferable to a subsequent owner.

- 1 (a) In this section, "vintage registration plate" means a Maryland 2 registration plate that was actually issued for display on a motor vehicle in a year not 3 less than 25 years prior to January 1 of each calendar year.
- (b) (1) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, the owner of a motor vehicle registered under § 13–936 or § 13–937.1 of this subtitle as a Class L (historic) or Class N (street rod) vehicle may display 2 vintage registration plates in lieu of current registration plates on that vehicle.
- 8 (2) The Administration may authorize the display of 2 vintage 9 registration plates in lieu of current registration plates on a motor vehicle described in 10 paragraph (1) of this subsection if:
- 11 (i) The owner of the motor vehicle submits an application on a 12 form prescribed by the Administrator;
- 13 (ii) The 2 vintage registration plates were issued in the same 14 year as the model year of the motor vehicle; and
- 15 (iii) The owner of the motor vehicle pays a onetime registration 16 fee of [\$25.50] **\$38.25**.
- 17 (c) If the Administration authorizes the display of vintage registration plates 18 under this section:
- 19 (1) The vintage registration plates shall remain valid for as long as 20 title to the motor vehicle remains in the person who submitted an application under 21 subsection (b)(2)(i) of this section; and
- 22 (2) A fee in addition to the onetime registration fee prescribed in subsection (b)(2)(iii) of this section is not required for the issuance of the vintage registration plates.
- 25 13–937.
- 26 (a) When registered with the Administration, every multipurpose passenger vehicle is a Class M (multipurpose) vehicle.
- 28 (b) For each Class M (multipurpose) vehicle, the annual registration fee is:
- 29 (1) For a vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping weight of 3,700 30 pounds or less [\$50.50] **\$75.75**; and
- 31 (2) For a vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping weight of more than 32 3,700 pounds [\$76.50] **\$114.75**.

1 The Administration may by rule and regulation provide for the (c) 2 registration under this section of all multipurpose passenger vehicles registered under 3 another category. 4 13-937.1. In this section, "street rod" means a motor vehicle that: 5 (a) 6 Is 25 years old or older; and (1) 7 **(2)** Has been substantially altered from the manufacturer's original 8 design. 9 (b) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, if registered with the Administration under this section, every street rod is a Class N (street rod) vehicle. 10 For each Class N (street rod) vehicle, the annual registration fee is 11 (c) [\$25.00] **\$37.50**. 12 13 In applying for registration of a street rod under this section, the owner of 14 the street rod shall submit with the application a certification that the vehicle for 15 which the application is made: 16 Will be maintained for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades, (1) tours, occasional transportation, and similar uses; and 17 18 (2) Will not be used: 19 For general daily transportation; or (i) 20 (ii) Primarily for the transportation of passengers or property on 21highways. 22 The registration of a street rod registered before July 1, 1987 as a 23Class L (historic) vehicle shall remain valid until midnight on the date indicated on 24the registration card issued by the Administration. 25On expiration of a street rod's registration as a Class L (historic) vehicle, a street rod registered with the Administration shall be registered as a Class 2627 N (street rod) vehicle as required by this section. 2813–939. 29 When registered with the Administration, every limousine operated for

hire is a Class Q (limousine) vehicle.

- 1 (b) For each Class Q (limousine) vehicle, the annual registration fee is 2 [\$185.00] **\$277.50**.
- 3 (c) On registration of a vehicle under this section, the Administration shall 4 issue special limousine vehicle registration plates of the size and design that the
- 5 Administration determines.
- 6 13–939.1.

- Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, for a rental vehicle as defined in § 11–148.1 of this article, the annual registration fee is:
- 9 (1) For a Class A (passenger) vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping 10 weight of:
- 11 (i) 3,700 pounds or less [\$27.00] \$40.50; and
- 12 (ii) More than 3,700 pounds [\$40.50] **\$60.75**;
- 13 (2) For a Class E (truck) vehicle with a manufacturer's rated capacity of 3/4 ton or less and a maximum gross vehicle weight of 7,000 pounds or less [\$33.75] **\$50.63**;
- 16 (3) Notwithstanding item (2) of this section, for a Class E (truck) 17 vehicle:

18	With Maximum Gross Weight	Fee (per 1,000 Pounds
19	Limit (in Pounds)	or Fraction Thereof)
20	10,000 (minimum) - 18,000	[\$ 4.75] \$ 7.13
21	18,001 - 26,000	[7.50] 11.25
22	26,001 - 40,000	[8.50] 12.75
23	40,001 - 60,000	[10.50] 15.75
24	60,001 - 80,000 (maximum)	[11.75] 17.63 ;

25 (4) For a Class F (tractor) vehicle based on the maximum gross weight 26 of the vehicle in combination with a trailer or semitrailer as follows:

27	Maximum Gross Weight	Fee (per 1,000 Pounds
28	Limit (in Pounds)	or Fraction Thereof)
29	40,000 (minimum) - 60,000	[\$14.50] \$21.75
30	60,001 - 80,000 or more	[16.00] 24.00 ;

- 31 32 as follows: 32 (5) For a Class G (trailer) vehicle based on the maximum gross weight
 - (i) For a nonfreight trailer or semitrailer:

1	Maximum	Gros	ss Weight			
2	Limit (Limit (in Pounds)			Fee	
3	3,000	or	less	[\$13.50]	\$ 20.25	
4	3,001	_	5,000	[27.00]	$\boldsymbol{40.50}$	
5	5,001	_	10,000	[47.25]	70.88	
6	10,001	_	20,000	[81.00]	121.50 ; and	

- 7 (ii) For a freight trailer or semitrailer [\$20.25] \$30.38; and
- 8 (6) For a Class M (multipurpose) vehicle with a manufacturer's shipping weight of:
- 10 (i) 3,700 pounds or less [\$27.00] \$40.50; and
- 11 (ii) More than 3,700 pounds [\$40.50] **\$60.75**.
- 12 13–939.2.

- 13 (a) When registered with the Administration, every low speed vehicle is a 14 Class R (low speed) vehicle.
- 15 (b) For each Class R (low speed) vehicle, the annual registration fee is [\$35.00] **\$52.50**.
 - SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That each person holding tax-paid motor fuel for sale at the start of business on July 1, 2011, shall compile and file an inventory of the motor fuel held at the close of business on June 30, 2011, and remit within 30 days any additional motor fuel tax that is due on the motor fuel.
 - SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the General Assembly determines that the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by Section 1 of this Act affects multiple jurisdictions and that the provisions of Article XIV, § 1 of the Maryland Constitution concerning local approval of constitutional amendments do not apply.
 - SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by Section 1 of this Act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election to be held in November, 2012 for their adoption or rejection pursuant to Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution. At that general election, the vote on the proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law. Immediately after the election, all returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against the proposed amendment, as directed by Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article XIV.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Sections 2 and 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2011.