

HOUSE BILL 577

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Registration Plates – Vehicle Manufactured Without Means to**
3 **Display Front Plate**

4 FOR the purpose of providing, for a vehicle required to display two registration plates,
5 that the front registration plate may be stored in a certain manner inside the
6 vehicle if the vehicle was manufactured without a means to secure and display a
7 front plate; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to vehicle
8 registration plates.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Transportation
11 Section 13–411(a) and (i)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2012 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article – Transportation**

17 13–411.

18 (a) (1) [On] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS**
19 **SUBSECTION, ON** a vehicle for which two registration plates are required, one plate
20 shall be attached on the front and the other on the rear of the vehicle.

21 (2) **IF A VEHICLE FOR WHICH TWO REGISTRATION PLATES ARE**
22 **REQUIRED WAS MANUFACTURED WITHOUT A MEANS TO SECURE AND DISPLAY A**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 FRONT REGISTRATION PLATE, THE FRONT PLATE MAY BE STORED INSIDE THE
2 VEHICLE IN A MANNER THAT MAKES THE PLATE EASILY ACCESSIBLE FOR
3 VERIFICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION.

4 (i) (1) It is the duty of every police officer to report to the Administration
5 all vehicles operated in violation of this section.

6 (2) The Administration shall verify whether the owner of a reported
7 vehicle has complied with this section.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2013.