HOUSE BILL 577

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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning
Vehicle Laws – Registration Plates – Vehicle Manufactured Without Means to Display Front Plate

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

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

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

Article – Transportation

13–411.

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

(2) IF A VEHICLE FOR WHICH TWO REGISTRATION PLATES ARE REQUIRED WAS MANUFACTURED WITHOUT A MEANS TO SECURE AND DISPLAY A
FRONT REGISTRATION PLATE, THE FRONT PLATE MAY BE STORED INSIDE THE VEHICLE IN A MANNER THAT MAKES THE PLATE EASILY ACCESSIBLE FOR VERIFICATION UNDER SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION.

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

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

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