## **SENATE BILL 30**

R23lr0698 SB 559/12 - JPR(PRE-FILED) By: Senators Zirkin and Forehand Requested: November 1, 2012 Introduced and read first time: January 9, 2013 Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings A BILL ENTITLED AN ACT concerning Vehicle Laws - Prohibition Against Smoking in Vehicle Containing Young Child FOR the purpose of prohibiting the driver of a motor vehicle in which a person who is under a certain age is a passenger from smoking a tobacco product or allowing a passenger to smoke in the motor vehicle; establishing a penalty for a violation of this Act; providing that a violation of this Act is not a moving violation; providing for the application of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to prohibitions against tobacco smoking in a motor vehicle. BY adding to Article – Transportation Section 21-1130 and 27-115 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** 21–1130. IN THIS SECTION, "SMOKING" MEANS THE BURNING OF A LIGHTED CIGARETTE, CIGAR, PIPE, OR ANY OTHER DEVICE OR SUBSTANCE THAT CONTAINS TOBACCO.

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- 1 (B) THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN WHICH A PERSON WHO IS 2 UNDER THE AGE OF 8 YEARS IS A PASSENGER MAY NOT ENGAGE IN SMOKING OR 3 ALLOW A PASSENGER TO ENGAGE IN SMOKING IN THE MOTOR VEHICLE.
- 4 (C) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A MOBILE HOME WHEN THE 5 MOBILE HOME IS BEING USED AS A PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY LIVING OR 6 SLEEPING PLACE AND NOT A CONVEYANCE ON HIGHWAYS.
- 7 (D) A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS NOT A MOVING VIOLATION FOR 8 PURPOSES OF § 16–402 OF THIS ARTICLE.
- 9 **27–115.**
- ANY PERSON CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF § 21–1130 OF THIS ARTICLE IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$50.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2013.