A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax and Associated Mandated Devices – Prohibition

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from imposing or levying a vehicle–miles–traveled tax or certain other similar fees, tolls, or taxes; prohibiting the State or a local jurisdiction from requiring the installation of a device in or on a privately owned vehicle to facilitate the reporting of the number of vehicle–miles traveled; and generally relating to a prohibition against a vehicle–miles–traveled tax and associated mandated devices.

BY adding to
Article – Tax – General
Section 9–401 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 4. Vehicle–Miles–Traveled Tax – Prohibited”
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 22–107
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

Article – Tax – General

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
SUBTITLE 4. VEHICLE–MILES–TRAVELED TAX – PROHIBITED.

9–401.

THE STATE OR A LOCAL JURISDICTION MAY NOT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, INCLUDING THROUGH A THIRD–PARTY AGREEMENT OR AS PART OF A PILOT PROGRAM OR STUDY, IMPOSE OR LEVY:

(1) A VEHICLE–MILES–TRAVELED TAX;

(2) A MILEAGE–BASED USER FEE;

(3) A GLOBAL–POSITIONING–SATELLITE–TRACKING–BASED TOLL;

OR

(4) ANY OTHER SIMILAR FORM OF TAX.

Article – Transportation

22–107.

THE STATE OR A LOCAL JURISDICTION MAY NOT REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF A DEVICE IN OR ON A PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLE TO FACILITATE THE REPORTING OF THE NUMBER OF VEHICLE–MILES TRAVELED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2014.