

# HOUSE BILL 1290

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By: **Delegate McMillan**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Registration – Historic Motor Vehicles**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the age that a motor vehicle must attain to be eligible  
4 for registration as a historic motor vehicle; requiring an applicant for  
5 registration of a historic motor vehicle to submit a certification that the vehicle  
6 is insured by a certain vehicle insurance policy; prohibiting an individual from  
7 registering a motor vehicle as a historic motor vehicle unless the individual  
8 owns a certain other vehicle that is used as the individual's primary method of  
9 transportation; establishing that a certain requirement of this Act may not be  
10 construed to apply to certain vehicles registered before the effective date of this  
11 Act; and generally relating to historic motor vehicles.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article – Transportation  
14 Section 13–936  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Transportation**

20 13–936.

21 (a) In this section, “historic motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle, including  
22 a passenger vehicle, motorcycle, or truck that:

23 (1) Is at least [20] **25** years old;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           (2) Has not been substantially altered from the manufacturer's  
2 original design; and

3           (3) Meets criteria contained in regulations adopted by the  
4 Administration.

5           (b) In this section, "historic motor vehicle" does not include a vehicle that has  
6 been remanufactured or reconstructed as a replica of an original vehicle.

7           (c) If registered with the Administration under this section, every historic  
8 motor vehicle is a Class L (historic) vehicle.

9           (d) Except as provided in subsection (i) of this section, for each Class L  
10 (historic) vehicle, the annual registration fee is \$25.50.

11           (e) In applying for registration of a historic motor vehicle under this section,  
12 the owner of the vehicle shall submit with the application a certification that the  
13 vehicle for which the application is made:

14           (1) Will be maintained for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades,  
15 tours, occasional transportation, and similar uses; [and]

16           (2) Will not be used:

17                   (i) For general daily transportation; or

18                   (ii) Primarily for the transportation of passengers or property on  
19 highways; AND

20           **(3) IS INSURED BY A HISTORIC VEHICLE, SHOW VEHICLE, OR**  
21 **ANTIQUÉ VEHICLE INSURANCE POLICY.**

22           (f) Except as provided in § 13-936.1 of this subtitle, on registration of a  
23 vehicle under this section, the Administration shall issue a special, historic motor  
24 vehicle registration plate of the size and design that the Administration determines.

25           (g) Unless the presence of the equipment was specifically required by a  
26 statute of this State as a condition of sale when the vehicle was manufactured, the  
27 presence of any specific equipment is not required for the operation of a vehicle  
28 registered under this section.

29           (h) A vehicle registered under this section is exempt from any statute that  
30 requires periodic vehicle inspections or that requires the use and inspection of  
31 emission controls.

32           (i) (1) For a motor vehicle manufactured at least 60 years prior to the  
33 current model year, there is a onetime registration fee of \$50.00.

1                   (2)     Registration of a motor vehicle manufactured under this subsection  
2 is not transferable to a subsequent owner.

3                   **(J)     AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT REGISTER A VEHICLE UNDER THIS**  
4 **SECTION UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL OWNS ANOTHER VEHICLE THAT:**

5                   **(1)     IS REGISTERED UNDER THIS TITLE, BUT NOT AS A HISTORIC**  
6 **MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER THIS SECTION; AND**

7                   **(2)     IS USED AS THE INDIVIDUAL'S PRIMARY METHOD OF**  
8 **TRANSPORTATION.**

9                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That § 19-936(a)(1), as  
10 enacted by this Act, requiring that a vehicle registered as a Class L (historic) vehicle  
11 must be at least 25 years old, shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may  
12 not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any vehicle  
13 registered as a Class L (historic) vehicle before the effective date of this Act.

14                   SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
15 October 1, 2014.