SENATE BILL 65

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By: **Senator Benson**
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A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Business Regulation – Retail Service Stations – Video Cameras Required

FOR the purpose of requiring each retail service station dealer to maintain at least one operational video camera on the exterior of the premises of the service station for a certain purpose; requiring each retail service station dealer to preserve recordings made by the video camera for at least a certain period of time; requiring the video camera to be capable of recording a certain image for a certain purpose; establishing a penalty for a violation of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to video cameras at retail service stations.

BY renumbering
Article – Business Regulation
Section 10–324
to be Section 10–325
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Business Regulation
Section 10–324
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 10–324 of Article – Business Regulation of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 10–325.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

EXPLANATION: **CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.**
[Brackets**]** indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Article – Business Regulation

10–324.

(A) (1) EACH RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALER SHALL:

(I) MAINTAIN AT LEAST ONE OPERATIONAL VIDEO CAMERA ON THE EXTERIOR PREMISES OF THE SERVICE STATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECORDING ILLEGAL ACTIVITY; AND

(II) PRESERVE THE RECORDINGS MADE BY THE VIDEO CAMERA FOR AT LEAST 45 CALENDAR DAYS.

(2) A VIDEO CAMERA REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CAPABLE OF RECORDING AN IMAGE OF AN INDIVIDUAL THAT IS OF SUFFICIENT QUALITY TO ENABLE IDENTIFICATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF INVESTIGATING OR PROSECUTING SUSPECTED ILLEGAL ACTIVITY.

(B) A RETAIL SERVICE STATION DEALER WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING $500.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.