## **HOUSE BILL 288**

R75lr1671 By: Delegate Lafferty Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2015 Assigned to: Environment and Transportation Committee Report: Favorable House action: Adopted Read second time: March 16, 2015 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Vehicle Laws - Regulation of Parking - Jurisdiction FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain State and local entities may regulate the parking of vehicles on highways over which the entity has jurisdiction; and generally relating to State and local jurisdiction over the regulation of parking. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Transportation Section 25–105 Annotated Code of Maryland (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement) BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Transportation Section 26–301(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article - Transportation 25-105.

## EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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| 6<br>7<br>8           | (b) A local authority may place or maintain a traffic control device on a highway under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Administration only with the permission and under the direction of the State Highway Administration.   |
| 9                     | 26–301.  |
| 10<br>11              | (b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, any State agency authorized by law and any political subdivision of this State may adopt ordinances or regulations that:  |
| 12<br>13              | (1) Regulate the parking of vehicles ON HIGHWAYS OVER WHICH THE STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION HAS JURISDICTION;  |
| 14<br>15              | (2) Provide for the impounding of vehicles parked in violation of the ordinances or regulations;   |
| 16<br>17              | (3) Regulate the towing of vehicles from publicly owned and privately owned parking lots; and  |
| 18<br>19              | (4) Provide for the issuance of a citation by an officer for a violation of an ordinance or regulation that is adopted under this section.   |
| 20<br>21              | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.   |
|                       | Approved:  |
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|                       | Governor.  |
|                       | Speaker of the House of Delegates  |

President of the Senate.