Chapter 257

(House Bill 524)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Single Registration Plate – Class L (Historic) Vehicles and Class N (Street Rod) Vehicles and Class N (Street Rod) Vehicles

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, when it registers a <u>certain</u> Class L (historic) vehicle or Class N (street rod) vehicle <u>vehicles</u> <u>or Class N (street</u> <u>rod) vehicles</u>, to issue a single registration plate for the vehicle; making conforming and stylistic changes; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Transportation Section 13–410(a) <u>and 13–936.1</u> and 13–936.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

<u>Article – Transportation</u> <u>Section 13–936(c) and (i)</u> <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u> (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

13-410.

(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this title, when it registers a vehicle, the Administration shall issue to the owner:

(i) One registration plate, if the vehicle is a Class D (motorcycle) vehicle, Class F (tractor) vehicle, [or]- Class G (trailer) vehicle, <u>OR</u>-CLASS L (HISTORIC) VEHICLE, OR CLASS N (STREET ROD) VEHICLE-<u>THAT IS REGISTERED UNDER §</u> <u>13-936(I) OF THIS TITLE</u>:

- <u>1.</u> <u>A CLASS D (MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE;</u>
- 2. <u>A CLASS F (TRACTOR) VEHICLE;</u>
- <u>3.</u> <u>A CLASS G (TRAILER) VEHICLE;</u>

<u>4.</u> <u>A CLASS L (HISTORIC) VEHICLE THAT WAS</u> MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 50 YEARS BEFORE THE CURRENT MODEL YEAR; OR

<u>5.</u> <u>A CLASS N (STREET ROD) VEHICLE THAT WAS</u> <u>MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 50 YEARS BEFORE THE CURRENT MODEL YEAR</u>; and

(ii) Two registration plates for every other vehicle.

(2) However, as to temporary registration, the Administration may provide for the issuance of only one temporary registration plate for any vehicle.

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(c) <u>If registered with the Administration under this section, every historic motor</u> vehicle is a Class L (historic) vehicle.

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

(2) <u>Registration of a motor vehicle manufactured under this subsection is</u> not transferable to a subsequent owner.

<u>13–936.1.</u>

(a) In this section, "vintage registration plate" means a Maryland registration plate that was actually issued for display on a motor vehicle in a year not less than 25 years prior to January 1 of each calendar year.

(b) [(1) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, the] **THE** owner of a motor vehicle registered under § 13–936 or § 13–937.1 of this subtitle as a Class L (historic) or Class N (street rod) vehicle may display [2] **TWO** vintage registration plates in lieu of **A** current registration [plates] **PLATE** on that vehicle[.

(2) <u>The Administration may authorize the display of 2 vintage registration</u> plates in lieu of current registration plates on a motor vehicle described in paragraph (1) of <u>this subsection</u>] if:

[(i)] (1) The owner of the motor vehicle submits an application on a form prescribed by the Administrator;

[(ii)] (2) The [2] TWO vintage registration plates were issued in the same year as the model year of the motor vehicle; and

[(iii)] (3) The owner of the motor vehicle pays a onetime registration fee of \$25.50.

(c) If the Administration authorizes the display of vintage registration plates under this section:

(1) <u>The vintage registration plates shall remain valid for as long as title to</u> <u>the motor vehicle remains in the person who submitted an application under subsection</u> [(b)(2)(i)] (B)(1) of this section; and

(2) <u>A fee in addition to the onetime registration fee prescribed in subsection</u> [(b)(2)(iii)] (B)(3) of this section is not required for the issuance of the vintage registration plates.

13-936.1.

(a) In this section, "vintage registration plate" means a Maryland registration plate that was actually issued for display on a motor vehicle in a year not less than 25 years prior to January 1 of each calendar year.

(b) [(1) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, the] **THE** owner of a motor vehicle registered under § 13–936 or § 13–937.1 of this subtitle as a Class L (historic) or Class N (street rod) vehicle may display [2] **TWO** vintage registration plates in lieu of A current registration [plates] **PLATE** on that vehicle[.

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(c) If the Administration authorizes the display of vintage registration plates under this section:

(1) The vintage registration plates shall remain valid for as long as title to the motor vehicle remains in the person who submitted an application under subsection $\frac{(b)(2)(i)}{(b)(2)(i)}$ of this section; and

(2) A fee in addition to the onetime registration fee prescribed in subsection $\frac{(b)(2)(iii)}{(B)(3)}$ of this section is not required for the issuance of the vintage registration plates.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.