

Chapter 78

(House Bill 203)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Title Fees – Rental Vehicles

FOR the purpose of making permanent a certain fee for a certificate of title for a rental vehicle; ~~providing for the application of this Act; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, on application by an owner of a rental vehicle titled during a certain period of time, to refund a certain amount of the title fee collected from the owner; stating the intent of the General Assembly;~~ and generally relating to rental vehicles and title fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–802
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

13–802.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section and § 13–805 of this subtitle, the fee for each certificate of title issued under this title is \$100.

(b) (1) [For fiscal years 2012 through 2016 only, the] **THE** fee for each certificate of title issued for a rental vehicle is \$50.

(2) The fee for each certificate of title issued for a motor scooter or a moped is \$20.

(3) On the death of a joint owner of a vehicle, the Administration may not charge a fee for a new certificate of title issued for the vehicle to another joint owner who is the surviving spouse.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall be construed to apply retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any fee paid for the issuance of a certificate of title for a rental vehicle on or after July 1, 2014.~~

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on application by an owner of a rental vehicle that was titled on or after July 1, 2014, but before the effective date of this~~

~~Act, the Motor Vehicle Administration shall refund any amount collected from the owner in excess of the title fee established under § 13-802(b)(1) of the Transportation Article.~~

~~SECTION 3. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly in enacting this Act to:~~

~~(1) Ratify and continue the extension of the reduction in the fee on the issuance of certificates of title for rental vehicles under § 13-802 of the Transportation Article, as enacted by Ch. 464 of the Acts of 2014, which was not implemented on advice of the Attorney General in the Bill Review Letter for S.B. 172 (Ch. 464, Acts of 2014), dated May 14, 2014; and~~

~~(2) Require rebates to owners of rental vehicles of overpayments of the fee under § 13-802 of the Transportation Article that were collected on and after July 1, 2014, as a result of the failure to implement the extension of the reduction in the fee as enacted by Ch. 464, Acts of 2014.~~

SECTION ~~4. 5.~~ 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2015.