

Chapter 146

(House Bill 271)

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Certificate of Title Fee – Trailer Gifted to Family Member**

FOR the purpose of reducing the certificate of title fee for a trailer with a certain gross vehicle weight or less if the trailer is transferred to one of certain family members of the transferor under certain circumstances and no money or other valuable consideration is involved in the transfer; and generally relating to the certificate of title fee for a trailer gifted to a family member.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Transportation  
Section 13–802  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 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) The fee for each certificate of title issued for a rental vehicle is \$50.

(2) The fee for each certificate of title issued for an off-highway recreational vehicle is \$35.

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

**(4) THE FEE FOR EACH CERTIFICATE OF TITLE ISSUED FOR A TRAILER WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 3,000 POUNDS OR LESS IS \$50 IF:**

**(I) THE TRAILER IS TRANSFERRED TO A:**

**1. A SPOUSE, CHILD, GRANDCHILD, PARENT, SIBLING, GRANDPARENT, FATHER-IN-LAW, MOTHER-IN-LAW, SON-IN-LAW, OR DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, ~~NIECE, OR NEPHEW~~ OF THE TRANSFEROR; OR**

**2. A NIECE OR NEPHEW OF THE TRANSFEROR IF THE TRANSFEROR IS AT LEAST 65 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF THE TRANSFER; AND**

**(II) NO MONEY OR OTHER VALUABLE CONSIDERATION IS INVOLVED IN THE TRANSFER.**

**[(4)] (5)** 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.

(c) The Administration may not charge a fee for a certificate of title issued for a vehicle that is transferred to a trust or from a trust to one or more beneficiaries in accordance with § 14.5–1001 of the Estates and Trusts Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2020.

**Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 8, 2020.**