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**By: Calvert County Delegation**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County - Regulation of Vehicle Towing Companies**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Calvert County to  
4 establish by ordinance the terms and conditions for a towing company license;  
5 prohibiting a person from operating a vehicle towing company in Calvert County  
6 without first obtaining a certain license; establishing certain penalties; defining a  
7 certain term; and generally relating to the authority of the County Commissioners of  
8 Calvert County to regulate vehicle towing companies in the County.

9 BY adding to

10 The Public Local Laws of Calvert County  
11 Section 10-201 through 10-204, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Towing  
12 Companies"  
13 Article 5 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
14 (1986 Edition and July 1991 Supplement, as amended)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article 5 - Calvert County**

18 **SUBTITLE 2. TOWING COMPANIES.**

19 10-201.

20 IN THIS SUBTITLE, "TOWING COMPANY" MEANS A BUSINESS THAT IS ENGAGED  
21 IN THE TOWING, REMOVAL, OR IMPOUNDMENT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE.

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1 10-202.

2 THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY ESTABLISH BY ORDINANCE THE TERMS  
3 AND CONDITIONS FOR A TOWING COMPANY LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

4 10-203.

5 A PERSON MAY NOT OPERATE A TOWING COMPANY IN THE COUNTY WITHOUT  
6 FIRST OBTAINING A LICENSE FROM THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN  
7 ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED BY THE COUNTY  
8 COMMISSIONERS UNDER § 10-202 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

9 10-204.

10 (A) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE OR ANY  
11 ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS  
12 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION MAY BE FINED NOT MORE  
13 THAN \$100.

14 (B) A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE IS GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION OF THE  
15 PERSON'S TOWING COMPANY LICENSE.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
17 July 1, 1996.