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**By: Delegates Campbell, Rosenberg, and McIntosh** Introduced and read first time: February 7, 1996 Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

## A BILL ENTITLED

## 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Vehicle Laws - Display of Amber Flashing Lights - Citizens on Patrol

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing "Citizens on Patrol" to display amber flashing lights

- 4 while on patrol, if allowed by the local police department, and unless a uniformed
- 5 police officer instructs them to extinguish the amber flashing lights; and generally
- 6 relating to the display of amber flashing lights.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 8 Article Transportation
- 9 Section 22-218.2
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 14 Article Transportation
- 15 22-218.2.

16 One or more amber flashing lights may be displayed:

17 (1) By a tow truck while at the scene of an accident or a disabled vehicle or 18 while towing a vehicle; [and]

(2) By snow removal and other highway maintenance and service equipmentand escort vehicles; AND

21 (3) BY "CITIZENS ON PATROL":

22 (I) WHILE ON PATROL;

23 (II) IF ALLOWED BY THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND

24 (III) UNLESS A UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICER INSTRUCTS THEM TO 25 EXTINGUISH THE AMBER FLASHING LIGHTS.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 27 October 1, 1996.