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By: Senator Della

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicles For Hire - Solicitation of Baltimore-Washington International Airport**
3 **Passengers**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain operators of taxicabs and other motor vehicles for
5 hire from soliciting certain passengers at the Baltimore-Washington International
6 Airport under certain circumstances; establishing penalties for violation of this Act;
7 and generally relating to the regulation of motor vehicles for hire.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Transportation
10 Section 5-426 and 5-427 to be under the amended part "Part IV. Motor Vehicle
11 Regulation at Airports"
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

16 **Article - Transportation**

17 Part IV. Motor Vehicle [Parking] REGULATION at Airports.

18 5-426.

19 (a) After holding a public hearing, the governing body of any publicly owned
20 airport in this State may adopt regulations for:

21 (1) The parking of motor vehicles at the airport, including provision of a
22 uniform system for accessible parking for individuals with disabilities to enhance the
23 safety of people with disabilities in conformity with:

24 (i) The "Uniform System for Parking for Persons With Disabilities"
25 (23 CFR Part 1235);

26 (ii) The "Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines for
27 Buildings and Facilities" (Appendix A to 28 CFR Part 36 and 36 CFR Part 1191.1); and

28 (iii) 14 CFR Part 382.23(a);

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1 (2) The movement of traffic at the airport;

2 (3) Safety at the airport; and

3 (4) The preservation of order at the airport.

4 (B) (1) AN OPERATOR OF A TAXICAB OR OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE
5 MAY NOT SOLICIT PASSENGERS AT THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL
6 AIRPORT UNLESS THE OPERATOR OR THE OPERATOR'S COMPANY HAS A CONTRACT
7 WITH THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO SOLICIT
8 PASSENGERS.

9 (2) PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT AN
10 OPERATOR OF A TAXICAB OR OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE FROM
11 COLLECTING A SPECIFIC PASSENGER AT THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON
12 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IF THE PASSENGER CALLS FOR THE SERVICES OF THE
13 OPERATOR'S COMPANY.

14 [(b)] (C) All regulations adopted under this section, AS APPROPRIATE, shall be
15 posted conspicuously in a public place at the airport.

16 5-427.

17 (a) Any person who violates a parking regulation adopted and posted under §
18 5-426(A) of this subtitle is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50. A violation of a parking
19 regulation is not a misdemeanor.

20 (b) Any person who violates any other rule or regulation adopted and posted
21 under § 5-426(A) of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to
22 a fine not exceeding \$500.

23 (C) AN OPERATOR WHO VIOLATES § 5-426(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE
24 PUNISHABLE WITH A CIVIL FINE OF \$50 FOR THE OPERATOR'S FIRST OFFENSE AND
25 WITH A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$300 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT OFFENSE.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 1997.