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By: **Delegate Arnick**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Shuttle Permits**

3 FOR the purpose of altering a provision of law to provide that registration is not  
4 required for a new vehicle being operated as part of a shuttle on a highway  
5 between certain authorized points while following a registered vehicle  
6 displaying a shuttle permit; increasing the distance a new vehicle in a shuttle  
7 may travel between a maritime port facility and a temporary storage area;  
8 requiring a vehicle that is leading a shuttle to display a shuttle permit on the  
9 dashboard of the vehicle; defining certain terms; clarifying language; and  
10 generally relating to shuttle permits.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article - Transportation  
13 Section 13-402(c)(8) and 13-626  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

18 **Article - Transportation**

19 13-402.

20 (c) Registration under this subtitle is not required for:

21 (8) New vehicles BEING OPERATED AS PART OF A SHUTTLE, AS DEFINED  
22 IN § 13-626 OF THIS TITLE, WHILE FOLLOWING A REGISTERED VEHICLE displaying a  
23 shuttle permit issued by the Administration;

24 13-626.

25 (a) (1) In this section [, "shuttle permit" means a permit to operate on a  
26 highway, motor vehicles that are] THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
27 INDICATED.

1           (2)     "SHUTTLE" MEANS A PROCESSION OF new vehicles being moved  
2 between a maritime port facility and a temporary storage area that is not more than  
3 [3] 5 miles distant.

4           (3)     "SHUTTLE PERMIT" MEANS A PERMIT AUTHORIZING A REGISTERED  
5 VEHICLE TO LEAD A SHUTTLE ON A HIGHWAY.

6       (b)     The Administration may issue shuttle permits to a person submitting an  
7 application that shall be on a form and contain the information that the  
8 Administration requires.

9       (c)     The Administration shall charge a fee for shuttle permits, not to exceed the  
10 cost of procurement and issuance of the permits.

11       (d)     When a vehicle [described in subsection (a) of this section] is [operated]  
12 LEADING A SHUTTLE on a highway, [the] A shuttle permit shall be displayed on the  
13 [rear bumper] DASHBOARD of the vehicle.

14       (e)     When operated under the provisions of this section, a vehicle IN A  
15 SHUTTLE shall be covered by the required security contained in Title 17 of this article.

16       (f)     [Vehicles displaying a shuttle permit] A VEHICLE IN A SHUTTLE may not  
17 be operated on a highway except on the most direct route between the authorized  
18 points.

19       (g)     In addition to any other penalty provided in this article, a violation of any  
20 of the provisions of this section may result in the suspension or revocation of a  
21 person's authorization for obtaining shuttle permits.

22     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
23 October 1, 1999.