

SENATE BILL 152

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By: **Senator Dyson**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Obstruction to Driver's View - Military Installation Stickers**

3 FOR the purpose of creating an exception to the prohibition against a person driving
4 a vehicle with certain materials on a windshield of a motor vehicle under certain
5 circumstances for the certain placement on a windshield of a certain sticker
6 used for gaining entrance to certain military installations; and generally
7 relating to the obstruction of a vehicle driver's view of traffic.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Transportation
10 Section 21-1104(d)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Transportation**

16 21-1104.

17 (d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a person may
18 not drive a vehicle with any sign, poster, card, sticker, or other nontransparent
19 material on the windshield, side wings, or side or rear windows of the vehicle.

20 (2) This subsection does not apply to:

21 (i) Materials placed on the windshield or rear window, within a 7
22 inch square area in the lower corner, or on the side windows of the vehicle to the rear
23 of the driver, if the materials are placed so as not to interfere with the driver's clear
24 view of traffic;

25 (ii) Direction, destination, or termini signs on any passenger
26 common carrier motor vehicle; [or]

1 (iii) Electronic toll collection tags placed in the windshield of a
2 vehicle in accordance with the regulations of the Maryland Transportation Authority;
3 OR

4 (IV) A STICKER ISSUED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
5 THAT IDENTIFIES MILITARY PERSONNEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING ENTRANCE
6 TO ANY MILITARY INSTALLATION AND THAT IS PLACED IN THE TOP CENTER OF THE
7 WINDSHIELD, AS LONG AS THE STICKER SO PLACED DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE
8 DRIVER'S CLEAR VIEW OF TRAFFIC.

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