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By: **Chairman, Judicial Proceedings Committee (Departmental -
Transportation)**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Law - Vehicle Registration - Gratis Transfer**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing certain transferees of the title or interest in a motor
4 vehicle to continue to use the same registration plates on the vehicle after the
5 transfer; and generally relating to the registration of vehicles and use of
6 registration plates.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 13-503.1
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 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 13-503.1.

16 (A) If, whether by act of the parties or by operation of law, the title or interest
17 of an owner in a vehicle [registered in the joint names of a husband and wife is
18 transferred to the individual name of either spouse or the title or interest of the owner
19 in a vehicle registered in the individual name of either spouse is transferred to their
20 joint names] IS TRANSFERRED IN A MANNER SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS

1 SECTION, the transferee may continue to use the same registration plates on the
2 vehicle after the transfer.

3 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE TRANSFER OF THE TITLE OR INTEREST OF
4 AN OWNER IN A VEHICLE IF THE VEHICLE IS REGISTERED IN THE:

5 (1) JOINT NAMES OF A HUSBAND AND WIFE AND IS TRANSFERRED TO
6 THE INDIVIDUAL NAME OF EITHER SPOUSE;

7 (2) INDIVIDUAL NAME OF EITHER SPOUSE AND IS TRANSFERRED TO
8 THEIR JOINT NAMES;

9 (3) JOINT NAMES OF A PARENT AND CHILD AND IS TRANSFERRED TO
10 THE INDIVIDUAL NAME OF EITHER PARTY; OR

11 (4) NAME OF AN INDIVIDUAL AND IS TRANSFERRED TO THE JOINT
12 NAMES OF THAT INDIVIDUAL AND THE INDIVIDUAL'S PARENT OR CHILD.

13 (C) In all other respects the transfer shall be treated the same way as any
14 other transfer by a private owner of a registered vehicle.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 October 1, 2000.