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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Registration Plate Covers - Distorting Characters of Vehicle**  
3 **Registration Plate**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "registration plate cover" to include a  
5 certain object that distorts a recorded image of any of the characters of a vehicle  
6 registration plate recorded by a traffic control monitoring system; and generally  
7 relating to vehicle registration plate covers.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Transportation  
10 Section 13-411.1  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 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 13-411.1.

17 (a) In this section, "registration plate cover" means any tinted, colored,  
18 painted, marked, CLEAR, or illuminated object that is designed to:

19 (1) [cover] COVER any of the characters of a vehicle's registration plate;  
20 OR

1           (2)       DISTORT A RECORDED IMAGE OF ANY OF THE CHARACTERS OF A  
2 VEHICLE'S REGISTRATION PLATE RECORDED BY A TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL  
3 MONITORING SYSTEM UNDER § 21-202.1 OF THIS TITLE.

4       (b)       A person may not sell or offer for sale a registration plate cover.

5       (c)       A person may not advertise for the purpose of promoting the sale of  
6 registration plate covers.

7       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 October 1, 2001.