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CHAPTER____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Vehicle Laws - Emissions Inspections - Late Fees

- 3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Motor Vehicle Administration and the Secretary of
- 4 the Environment from adopting a regulation establishing a vehicle emissions
- 5 inspection late fee that exceeds a certain amount within a certain period of time;
- 6 providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to vehicle
- 7 <u>emissions inspection fees</u>.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Transportation
- 10 Section 23-207
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 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 23-207.

- 17 (A) The Administration and the Secretary may jointly adopt rules and
- 18 regulations as required for purposes of implementation, administration, regulation,
- 19 and enforcement of the provisions of this subtitle, including rules and regulations
- 20 that, consistent with federal law, exempt certain vehicles from the inspections and
- 21 tests under this subtitle.

- 1 (B) THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE SECRETARY MAY NOT ADOPT A
- 2 REGULATION ESTABLISHING A LATE FEE THAT EXCEEDS \$7.50 FOR EACH MONTH OR
- 3 PART OF A MONTH THAT THE FIRST MONTH IN WHICH A VEHICLE IS NOT TESTED
- 4 AND INSPECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE ADOPTED UNDER THIS
- 5 SUBTITLE.
- 6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 7 October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective for a period of three years and, at the end of
- 8 September 30, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
- 9 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.