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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Vehicle Laws - Accidents - Police Reports

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring the police to go to the scene of certain vehicle accidents,
- 4 investigate, and file a certain report with the appropriate State or local law
- 5 enforcement agency, if a person involved in the vehicle accident requests that
- 6 the accident be investigated; and generally relating to vehicle accidents.
- 7 BY adding to
- 8 Article Transportation
- 9 Section 20-114
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 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 20-114.
- 16 (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION APPLY TO A VEHICLE ACCIDENT IN
- 17 WHICH:
- 18 (1) ONE OR MORE OF THE VEHICLES INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT ARE
- 19 RENDERED IMMOBILE;
- 20 (2) A PERSON INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT SUFFERS BODILY INJURY; OR
- 21 (3) ONE OF THE DRIVERS INVOLVED IN THE ACCIDENT HAS AN
- 22 OUT-OF-STATE LICENSE.
- 23 (B) IF A PERSON INVOLVED IN A VEHICLE ACCIDENT REQUESTS THAT THE
- 24 ACCIDENT BE INVESTIGATED BY A POLICE OFFICER:
- 25 (1) A POLICE OFFICER SHALL GO TO THE SCENE OF THE ACCIDENT AND
- 26 INVESTIGATE; AND

- THE POLICE OFFICER SHALL FILE A REPORT OF THE ACCIDENT, ON 1 (2)
- 2 THE FORM REQUIRED UNDER § 20-113 OF THIS SUBTITLE, WITH THE APPROPRIATE 3 STATE OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 5 October 1, 2004.