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By: **Delegate Kelly**  
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Surrender of Registration Card and Registration Plates -**  
3 **Refund of Registration Fee**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to refund a prorated  
5 amount of a vehicle registration fee for each full month remaining in the  
6 registration period on surrender of the registration card and registration plates;  
7 and generally relating to the surrender of registration cards and registration  
8 plates and the refund of vehicle registration fees.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article - Transportation  
11 Section 13-413  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

14 BY adding to  
15 Article - Transportation  
16 Section 13-416  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

21 **Article - Transportation**

22 13-413.

23 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, the Administration  
24 may adopt a system of multiyear registration.

25 (b) Vehicle registration plates or validation tabs shall be issued and displayed  
26 in accordance with a schedule established by the Administrator.

1 (c) The fee for a multiyear registration is the same as the annual registration  
2 fee established under this title multiplied by the number of years for which the  
3 registration is issued.

4 (d) [The Administration shall refund the registration fees upon surrender of  
5 the registration card and registration plates if the return is made before the  
6 beginning of any 12-month registration year for which the application for refund is  
7 made.

8 (e)] The Administration may adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of  
9 this section.

10 13-416.

11 ON SURRENDER OF THE REGISTRATION CARD AND REGISTRATION PLATES  
12 BEFORE EXPIRATION OF THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL  
13 REFUND ONE-TWELFTH OF THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR  
14 EACH FULL MONTH REMAINING IN THE REGISTRATION PERIOD.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
16 October 1, 2006.