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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Low Speed Vehicles - Slow Moving Vehicle Emblem - Application**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a requirement that certain vehicles display a slow  
4 moving vehicle emblem does not apply to certain low speed vehicles; and  
5 generally relating to low speed vehicles.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
7 Article - Transportation  
8 Section 11-130.1  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article - Transportation  
13 Section 21-805  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

1 **Article - Transportation**

2 11-130.1.

3 "Low speed vehicle" means a four-wheeled electric vehicle that has a maximum  
4 speed capability that exceeds 20 miles per hour but is less than 25 miles per hour.

5 21-805.

6 (a) (1) This subsection does not apply to [vehicles]:

7 (i) [Used] VEHICLES USED by any utility in the construction,  
8 maintenance, or repair of its facilities; [or]

9 (ii) [Used] VEHICLES USED by any highway authority or bridge or  
10 highway district in construction, maintenance, repair, inspection, or survey work; OR

11 (III) LOW SPEED VEHICLES.

12 (2) A person may not drive on a highway any vehicle or combination of  
13 vehicles that is designed to be and is driven at a speed of 25 miles an hour or less,  
14 unless the rearmost vehicle displays a slow moving vehicle emblem in accordance  
15 with this section.

16 (b) Any other vehicle or combination of vehicles, when driven at a speed of 25  
17 miles an hour or less, may display a slow moving vehicle emblem in accordance with  
18 this section.

19 (c) The slow moving vehicle emblem specified in this section shall:

20 (1) Be a truncated equilateral triangle at least 14 inches high with a red  
21 reflective border at least 1.75 inches wide and with a fluorescent orange center;

22 (2) Comply with current standards and specifications of the American  
23 Society of Agricultural Engineers; and

24 (3) Be mounted on the rear of the vehicle, base down, at a height of not  
25 less than 3 nor more than 5 feet from ground to base.

26 (d) New farm equipment designed or intended by the manufacturer to be  
27 driven or moved at a speed of 25 miles an hour or less may not be sold in this State  
28 unless it is equipped by the manufacturer with a slow moving vehicle emblem in  
29 accordance with this section.

30 (e) The slow moving vehicle emblem shall be displayed and maintained on the  
31 farm equipment as long as it can be driven or moved on a highway.

32 (f) The slow moving vehicle emblem described in this section may be  
33 displayed only as permitted or required by this section.

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