

HOUSE BILL 1263

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By: **Delegates Proctor and Vallario**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Special Registration Plates – Maryland’s Native Heritage and**
3 **Culture**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration, in consultation with
5 the Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians, to develop and make available for
6 certain vehicles a special registration plate to honor Maryland’s native heritage
7 and culture; authorizing certain persons to apply to the Administration for the
8 special registration plate for certain classes of vehicles; requiring the owner of a
9 vehicle issued a special registration plate under this Act to pay certain fees;
10 establishing that certain vehicles are exempt from paying certain fees;
11 prohibiting certain fees from being credited to the Gasoline and Motor Vehicle
12 Revenue Account; requiring the Administration to consult with the Cedarville
13 Band of Piscataway Indians on the design of the special registration plates, the
14 fee to be charged, and a schedule for the transfer of revenue collected to the
15 Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians; requiring the Administration to adopt
16 certain regulations; and generally relating to special registration plates
17 honoring Maryland’s native heritage and culture.

18 BY adding to

19 Article – Transportation

20 Section 13–619.3

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



Article – Transportation**13-619.3.**

(A) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CEDARVILLE BAND OF PISCATAWAY INDIANS THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL DEVELOP AND MAKE AVAILABLE FOR QUALIFYING VEHICLES A SPECIALLY DESIGNED REGISTRATION PLATE HONORING MARYLAND'S NATIVE HERITAGE AND CULTURE.

(B) THE OWNER OF A VEHICLE, OR A LESSEE OF THE VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE NOT INTENDED AS SECURITY, OR A DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE, OR PARTNER OF A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT OWNS THE VEHICLE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE BY THE ADMINISTRATION MAY APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR AN ORIGINAL OR SUBSTITUTE REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE VEHICLE IS INCLUDED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

(1) A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE;

(2) A CLASS B (FOR HIRE) VEHICLE;

(3) A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A MANUFACTURER'S RATED CAPACITY OF ONE TON OR LESS;

(4) A CLASS E (FARM TRUCK) VEHICLE;

(5) A CLASS G (TRAILER) VEHICLE; OR

(6) A CLASS M (MULTIPURPOSE) VEHICLE.

(C) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE OTHERWISE REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE, AN OWNER OF A VEHICLE ASSIGNED A REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PAY:

(I) WHEN INITIALLY ISSUED THE REGISTRATION PLATE, A ONE-TIME FEE SET BY THE ADMINISTRATION TO RECOVER THE ADMINISTRATION'S COSTS UNDER THIS SECTION; AND

1 **(II) WHEN INITIALLY ISSUED THE REGISTRATION PLATE,**
2 **AND EACH TIME THE REGISTRATION PLATE IS RENEWED, AN ADDITIONAL FEE**
3 **SET BY THE ADMINISTRATION TO BENEFIT THE CEDARVILLE BAND OF**
4 **PISCATAWAY INDIANS.**

5 **(2) THE ADDITIONAL FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION IS**
6 **NOT REQUIRED FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION OF A VEHICLE THAT IS EXEMPT**
7 **UNDER § 13-903 OF THIS TITLE.**

8 **(3) NO PORTION OF THE FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION**
9 **MAY BE CREDITED TO THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE REVENUE**
10 **ACCOUNT FOR DISTRIBUTION UNDER § 8-403 OR § 8-404 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

11 **(D) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONSULT WITH THE CEDARVILLE**
12 **BAND OF PISCATAWAY INDIANS ON:**

13 **(1) THE DESIGN OF A REGISTRATION PLATE TO BE ISSUED UNDER**
14 **THIS SECTION TO HONOR MARYLAND'S NATIVE HERITAGE AND CULTURE;**

15 **(2) THE SETTING OF THE FEE TO BE CHARGED UNDER**
16 **SUBSECTION (C)(1)(II) OF THIS SECTION AT A LEVEL INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE**
17 **THE PURCHASE OF THE REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION**
18 **WHILE PROVIDING A CONTINUOUS REVENUE SOURCE TO BENEFIT THE**
19 **CEDARVILLE BAND OF PISCATAWAY INDIANS; AND**

20 **(3) A SCHEDULE UNDER WHICH THE ADMINISTRATION WILL**
21 **TRANSFER TO THE CEDARVILLE BAND OF PISCATAWAY INDIANS REVENUE**
22 **COLLECTED ON BEHALF OF THE CEDARVILLE BAND OF PISCATAWAY INDIANS.**

23 **(E) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO GOVERN**
24 **THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER THIS SECTION.**

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 2007.