CHAPTER 234

(Senate Bill 296)

AN ACT concerning

Automotive Dismantlers, Recyclers, and Scrap Processors – Notice of Vehicle Acquisition

FOR the purpose of expanding the exception to the requirement that an automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor provide certain notice of vehicle acquisition to include vehicles obtained through an out-of-state salvage certificate; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to notice of vehicle acquisition by automotive dismantlers, recyclers, and scrap processors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation Section 15–511 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

15 - 511.

(a) Each automotive dismantler and recycler and each scrap processor shall keep an accurate and complete record of all vehicles acquired in his business.

(b) The records shall contain, for each vehicle acquired:

(1) The name and address of the person from whom the vehicle was acquired;

(2) The date on which it was acquired;

 $(3) \quad \mbox{Documentary evidence acceptable to the Administration of ownership of the vehicle; and}$

(4) Any other information that the Administration requires.

(c) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, within 30 days after an automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor acquires title to a vehicle, the automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor shall, electronically and in a form prescribed by the Administration, notify the Administration or the Administration's designee of the acquisition.

(2) Immediately after giving the notice required under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the automotive dismantler and recycler or scrap processor may dispose of the vehicle for dismantling or scrapping.

(3) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to a vehicle acquired through a salvage certificate *f*issued by the Administration <u>OR BY THE</u> <u>APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCY OF ANOTHER STATE</u>.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.