Chapter 21

(Senate Bill 67)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws – Issuance of Temporary Registration Plates by Dealers – Transmission of Information and Record Keeping

FOR the purpose of requiring a dealer who issues a temporary registration plate for a vehicle to electronically transmit certain information to the Motor Vehicle Administration in the format required by the Administration; reducing the period of time during which a dealer is required to keep certain temporary registration plate records; and generally relating to the temporary registration of motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation Section 13–602 and 13–606 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

13-602.

- (a) (1) Subject to the provisions of this part, a licensed dealer may issue one temporary registration plate for a vehicle to the person who buys the vehicle from the dealer, whether or not the vehicle is to be registered in this State.
- (2) The dealer may not issue more than one temporary registration for any vehicle.
- (b) Before a temporary registration plate may be issued for a vehicle, the buyer of the vehicle shall complete and deliver to the dealer a temporary registration plate application, on the form that the Administration requires.
- (c) On the same day that a dealer issues a temporary registration plate for a vehicle, the dealer shall [send]:
- (1) SEND to the Administration a copy of the temporary registration plate application completed by the buyer of the vehicle; AND

(2) ELECTRONICALLY TRANSMIT TO THE ADMINISTRATION, IN THE FORMAT THAT THE ADMINISTRATION REQUIRES, THE VEHICLE, OWNER, INSURANCE, AND TEMPORARY REGISTRATION INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE TEMPORARY REGISTRATION PLATE APPLICATION.

13–606.

- (a) Each dealer who has applied for temporary registration plates under § 13–601 of this subtitle shall keep a [permanent] record **FOR 3 YEARS** of all temporary registration plates delivered to the dealer.
- (b) Each dealer who has applied for temporary registration plates under § 13–601 of this subtitle shall keep a [permanent] record **FOR 3 YEARS** of all temporary registration plates issued by the dealer.
- (c) Each dealer who has applied for temporary registration plates under § 13–601 of this subtitle shall keep a [permanent] record FOR 3 YEARS of any other relevant information that the Administration requires.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, April 13, 2010.