

# HOUSE BILL 848

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By: **Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – State Police)**

Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2011

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of State Police – Tow Companies**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of State Police to establish and  
4 maintain a list of tow companies; authorizing the Department to adopt  
5 regulations establishing certain standards for tow companies to be included on  
6 the list; and generally relating to the Department of State Police and tow  
7 companies.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Public Safety

10 Section 2–314

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2003 Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Public Safety**

16 **2–314.**

17 **(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A LIST, BY**  
18 **COUNTY, OF QUALIFYING TOW COMPANIES FOR USE BY THE DEPARTMENT IN**  
19 **CARRYING OUT THE DUTIES OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

20 **(B) FOR TOW COMPANIES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE LIST, THE**  
21 **DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR TOW**  
22 **COMPANIES, INCLUDING APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND MINIMUM**  
23 **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2011.