

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

Committee Report: Favorable

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 18, 2011

CHAPTER _____

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.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 **(B) FOR TOW COMPANIES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE LIST, THE**
2 **DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR TOW**
3 **COMPANIES, INCLUDING APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND MINIMUM**
4 **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.**

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

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.