

## Chapter 365

(House Bill 848)

AN ACT concerning

### Department of State Police – Tow Companies

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

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 2–314

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

#### Article – Public Safety

##### 2–314.

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

(B) ~~FOR TOW COMPANIES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE LIST, THE~~ THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR TOW COMPANIES, INCLUDING APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND MINIMUM QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, AND MUST INCLUDE ON THE LIST ALL QUALIFYING TOW COMPANIES.

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

Approved by the Governor, May 10, 2011.