SENATE BILL 340

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By: Senator Raskin

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CHAPTER

1 AN ACT concerning

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Vehicle Laws - Stopping, Standing, and Parking - Plug-In Vehicles

- 3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle 4 that is not a plug-in vehicle in a space that is marked for the use of plug-in 5 vehicles and provides access to a plug-in vehicle recharging station; 6 establishing that all fines and penalties imposed for a certain violation be 7 distributed to the Transportation Trust Fund; requiring a plug-in vehicle that is stopped, standing, or parked in a certain space for plug-in vehicles to be 8 9 connected to the plug-in vehicle recharging station provided for the space and to vacate the space once the battery of the plug-in vehicle is fully charged; 10 11 defining a certain term; and generally relating to a prohibition against 12 stopping, standing, or parking nonplug-in vehicles in certain spaces.
- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 14 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 15 <u>Section 7–302(a)</u>
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
- 18 BY adding to
- 19 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- Section 7-302(g)
- 21 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 22 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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



1 2 3 4 5	BY adding to Article – Transportation Section 11–145.1 and 21–1003(ff) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
6 7	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
8	Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9	<u>7–302.</u>
10 11	(a) Except as provided in subsections (b) through [(f)] (G) of this section, the clerks of the District Court shall:
12 13	(1) Collect costs, fines, forfeitures, or penalties imposed by the court; and
14 15	(2) Remit them to the State under a system agreed upon by the Chief Judge of the District Court and the Comptroller.
16 17 18	(G) ALL FINES AND PENALTIES IMPOSED FOR A VIOLATION OF § 21–1003(FF) OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND.
19	Article - Transportation
20	11–145.1.
21	"PLUG-IN VEHICLE" MEANS A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT:
22	(1) IS MADE BY A VEHICLE MANUFACTURER;
23	(2) IS MANUFACTURED PRIMARILY FOR USE ON PUBLIC STREETS,
24	ROADS, AND HIGHWAYS;
25 26	(3) HAS NOT BEEN MODIFIED FROM ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER SPECIFICATIONS;
27 28	(4) Is rated at not more than 8,500 pounds unloaded gross vehicle weight;
29 30	(5) HAS A MAXIMUM SPEED CAPABILITY OF AT LEAST 65 MILES PER HOUR; AND

1 2	(6) IS PROPELLED TO A SIGNIFICANT EXTENT BY AN ELECTRIC MOTOR THAT DRAWS ELECTRICITY FROM A BATTERY THAT:
3 4 5	(I) HAS A CAPACITY OF NOT LESS THAN 4 KILOWATT-HOURS FOR 4-WHEELED MOTOR VEHICLES AND NOT LESS THAN 2.5 KILOWATT-HOURS FOR 2-WHEELED OR 3-WHEELED MOTOR VEHICLES; AND
6 7	(II) IS CAPABLE OF BEING RECHARGED FROM AN EXTERNAL SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY.
8	21–1003.
9 10	(FF) (1) A PERSON MAY NOT STOP, STAND, OR PARK A VEHICLE THAT IS NOT A PLUG–IN VEHICLE IN A SPACE THAT:
11	(1) (I) IS MARKED FOR THE USE OF PLUG-IN VEHICLES; AND
12 13	(2) (II) PROVIDES ACCESS TO A PLUG-IN VEHICLE RECHARGING STATION.
14 15 16	(2) A PLUG-IN VEHICLE THAT IS STOPPED, STANDING, OR PARKED IN A SPACE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL:
17 18 19	(I) BE CONNECTED TO THE PLUG-IN VEHICLE RECHARGING STATION PROVIDED FOR THE SPACE WHILE OCCUPYING THE SPACE; AND
20 21	(II) VACATE THE SPACE ONCE THE BATTERY THAT POWERS THE PLUG-IN VEHICLE IS FULLY CHARGED.

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

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October 1, 2012.