

# HOUSE BILL 540

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By: **Delegate Beidle**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicles – Motor Scooters and Mopeds – Titling for Nonresidents**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a nonresident of the State to apply for a certificate of  
4 title for a motor scooter or moped if the nonresident certifies that the motor  
5 scooter or moped will be used principally in the State; requiring a nonresident  
6 owner of a motor scooter or moped to certify at the time of titling that the motor  
7 scooter or moped will be used principally in the State; and generally relating to  
8 the titling of motor scooters and mopeds for nonresidents of the State.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Transportation  
11 Section 13–101.1 and 13–104(a)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
15 Article – Transportation  
16 Section 13–106(d)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Transportation**

22 13–101.1.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(A)** Except as provided in § 13–102 of this subtitle, the owner of each vehicle  
2 that is in this State and for which the Administration has not issued a certificate of  
3 title shall apply to the Administration for a certificate of title of the vehicle.

4           **(B) A NONRESIDENT OF THIS STATE MAY APPLY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF**  
5 **TITLE FOR A MOTOR SCOOTER OR MOPED IF THE NONRESIDENT CERTIFIES**  
6 **THAT THE MOTOR SCOOTER OR MOPED WILL BE USED PRINCIPALLY IN THE**  
7 **STATE.**

8 13–104.

9           (a) (1) The application for a certificate of title of a vehicle shall be made  
10 by the owner of the vehicle on the form that the Administration requires.

11           (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, an application for  
12 a certificate of title of an off–highway recreational vehicle, a motor scooter, or a moped  
13 shall be made by electronic transmission under § 13–610 of this title.

14           (3) The owner of a motor scooter or moped shall certify at the time of  
15 titling that [the]:

16                           **(I) THE** motor scooter or moped is covered by the required  
17 security described in § 17–103 of this article; **AND**

18                           **(II) FOR A NONRESIDENT, THE MOTOR SCOOTER OR MOPED**  
19 **WILL BE USED PRINCIPALLY IN THE STATE.**

20 13–106.

21           (d) (1) The Administration shall issue a permanent decal to the owner of a  
22 motor scooter or moped for which a certificate of title is issued.

23           (2) An owner of a motor scooter or moped for which a certificate of title  
24 is issued shall display the decal on the vehicle as prescribed by the Administration.

25           (3) A decal shall display a unique number sequence assigned by the  
26 Administration.

27           (4) The Administration:

28                           (i) Shall establish a fee of \$5 for a decal; and

29                           (ii) May adopt regulations to implement this section.

30           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
31 October 1, 2014.