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House Bill 1447

(Delegate McMillan, *et al.*)

Environment and Transportation

Judicial Proceedings

Motor Vehicle Administration - Registration Plates - Return

This bill allows a vehicle registration plate to be returned via U.S. mail to the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA).

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. MVA already allows return of registration plates via U.S. mail.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Maryland law requires vehicle registrants to return their registration (license) plates to MVA when a vehicle's insurance is cancelled, the registrant moves out of Maryland, or the registrant no longer needs the license plates. Under certain circumstances, the registrant is eligible for a partial refund of the registration fee.

License plates may be returned in several ways, including:

- in person at any MVA branch office, including express offices;
- to any MVA authorized tag and title service;
- via MVA license plate return drop boxes (currently, drop boxes with 24-hour access are located at the Baltimore City, Columbia, Gaithersburg, Glen Burnie, and

- Salisbury offices; drop boxes are available during normal business hours at the Essex office); and
- via mail to the Glen Burnie MVA office (sending them by certified mail with return receipt requested is recommended).

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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