

HOUSE BILL 294

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By: **Delegate Wivell**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2018

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Registration Fees – Refunds on Surrender of Registration Card**
3 **and Plates**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to refund a prorated
5 amount of a vehicle registration fee for each full month remaining in the registration
6 period on surrender of the registration card and plates if the registration card and
7 plates are returned within a certain number of months before the registration
8 expires; altering the period of time within which a registration card and plate may
9 be returned to the Administration for a refund of the registration fee; and generally
10 relating to the refund of vehicle registration fees.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Transportation
13 Section 13–413
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Transportation**

19 13–413.

20 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, the Administration may
21 adopt a system of multiyear registration.

22 (b) Vehicle registration plates or validation tabs shall be issued and displayed in
23 accordance with a schedule established by the Administrator.

24 (c) The fee for a multiyear registration is the same as the annual registration fee

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 established under this title multiplied by the number of years for which the registration is
2 issued.

3 (d) The Administration shall refund [the registration fees upon] **ONE-TWELFTH**
4 **OF THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR EACH FULL MONTH**
5 **REMAINING IN THE REGISTRATION PERIOD ON** surrender of the registration card and
6 registration plates if the return is made [before the beginning of any 12-month registration
7 year for which the application for refund is made] **AT LEAST 3 MONTHS BEFORE THE**
8 **REGISTRATION EXPIRES.**

9 (e) The Administration may adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this
10 section.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2018.