

SENATE BILL 1054

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By: **Senator Patterson**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Registration – Renewal**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that the system of multiyear vehicle registration adopted by
4 the Motor Vehicle Administration include for certain registration classes certain
5 options for the duration of a registration to be phased in over a certain number of
6 years; requiring the Administration to make available certain methods of obtaining
7 or renewing a vehicle registration for certain motor vehicles; authorizing the
8 Administration to charge a certain late fee for registration renewals that occur more
9 than a certain period of time after a registration has expired; requiring that a certain
10 amount of the late fee authorized by this Act be paid into a certain fund; and
11 generally relating to vehicle registration renewal.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Transportation
14 Section 13–413
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

17 BY adding to
18 Article – Transportation
19 Section 13–910
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

24 **Article – Transportation**

25 13–413.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle **AND SUBJECT TO**
2 **PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION**, the Administration may adopt a system of
3 multiyear registration.

4 (2) (I) **FOR A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE OR CLASS D**
5 **(MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PHASE IN A SYSTEM OF**
6 **MULTIYEAR REGISTRATION THAT INCLUDES OPTIONS FOR REGISTRATION FOR**
7 **1- OR 2-YEAR PERIODS.**

8 (II) **THE MULTIYEAR REGISTRATION SYSTEM UNDER**
9 **SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE PHASED IN TO ALLOW**
10 **REGISTRATION:**

11 1. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021, FOR A VEHICLE**
12 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 20 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

13 2. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022, FOR A VEHICLE**
14 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 19 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

15 3. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023, FOR A VEHICLE**
16 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 18 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

17 4. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, FOR A VEHICLE**
18 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 17 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

19 5. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, FOR A VEHICLE**
20 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 16 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

21 6. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026, FOR A VEHICLE**
22 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 15 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

23 7. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2027, FOR A VEHICLE**
24 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 14 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

25 8. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2028, FOR A VEHICLE**
26 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 13 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

27 9. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2029, FOR A VEHICLE**
28 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 12 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

29 10. **BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2030, FOR A VEHICLE**
30 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 11 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

1 **11. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2031, FOR A VEHICLE**
2 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 10 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

3 **12. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2032, FOR A VEHICLE**
4 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 9 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

5 **13. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2033, FOR A VEHICLE**
6 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 8 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

7 **14. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2034, FOR A VEHICLE**
8 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 7 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

9 **15. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2035, FOR A VEHICLE**
10 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 6 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

11 **16. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2036, FOR A VEHICLE**
12 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 5 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

13 **17. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2037, FOR A VEHICLE**
14 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 4 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

15 **18. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2038, FOR A VEHICLE**
16 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 3 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

17 **19. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2039, FOR A VEHICLE**
18 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 2 YEARS BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION;**

19 **20. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2040, FOR A VEHICLE**
20 **MANUFACTURED AT LEAST 1 YEAR BEFORE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION; AND**

21 **21. BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2041, FOR ANY CLASS A**
22 **(PASSENGER) VEHICLE OR CLASS D (MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE.**

23 **(3) ANY METHOD AUTHORIZED BY THE ADMINISTRATION FOR**
24 **OBTAINING OR RENEWING A VEHICLE REGISTRATION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE**
25 **FOR CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE OR CLASS D (MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE**
26 **REGISTRATIONS FOR 1- AND 2-YEAR PERIODS UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS**
27 **SUBSECTION.**

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

30 (c) The fee for a multiyear registration is the same as the annual registration fee
31 established under this title multiplied by the number of years for which the registration is

1 issued.

2 (d) The Administration shall refund the registration fees upon surrender of the
3 registration card and registration plates if the return is made before the beginning of any
4 12-month registration year for which the application for refund is made.

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

7 **13-910.**

8 (A) **THE ADMINISTRATION MAY CHARGE A LATE FEE NOT EXCEEDING \$25**
9 **FOR THE RENEWAL OF A REGISTRATION THAT OCCURS MORE THAN 1 WEEK AFTER**
10 **THE REGISTRATION HAS EXPIRED.**

11 (B) **FROM THE LATE FEE COLLECTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS**
12 **SECTION, \$6.25 SHALL BE PAID INTO THE MARYLAND TRAUMA PHYSICIAN**
13 **SERVICES FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 19-130 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL**
14 **ARTICLE.**

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
16 1, 2020.