

# SENATE BILL 837

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By: **Senator Jennings**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Surrender of Registration Card and Registration Plates –**  
3 **Refund of Registration Fee**

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 registration plates; and generally  
7 relating to the surrender of registration cards and registration plates and the refund  
8 of vehicle registration fees.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Transportation  
11 Section 13–413  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

14 BY adding to  
15 Article – Transportation  
16 Section 13–413.1  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Transportation**

22 13–413.

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

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

3 (c) The fee for a multiyear registration is the same as the annual registration fee  
4 established under this title multiplied by the number of years for which the registration is  
5 issued.

6 (d) [The Administration shall refund the registration fees upon surrender of the  
7 registration card and registration plates if the return is made before the beginning of any  
8 12-month registration year for which the application for refund is made.

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

11 **13-413.1.**

12 **ON SURRENDER OF A REGISTRATION CARD AND REGISTRATION PLATES**  
13 **BEFORE EXPIRATION OF THE REGISTRATION PERIOD, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL**  
14 **REFUND ONE-TWELFTH OF THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR**  
15 **EACH FULL MONTH REMAINING IN THE REGISTRATION PERIOD.**

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
17 1, 2022.