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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE
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House Bill 63 (Delegate Healey)
Environment and Transportation

Vehicle Laws – Parking Enforcement

This bill requires a police officer to compare the make and body style of a motor vehicle with the make and body style for the motor vehicle contained in the registration records on file with the Motor Vehicle Administration before issuing a parking citation. The bill prohibits a police officer from issuing a parking citation if the make and body style of the motor vehicle does not match the make and body style contained in the motor vehicle registration records.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill is not anticipated to materially affect State operations or finances. Any changes to enforcement can be handled with existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: The bill is not anticipated to materially affect local government operations or finances. Any changes to enforcement can be handled with existing budgeted resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: “Police officer” is defined as an officer authorized to direct or regulate traffic or to make arrests for violations of any provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law (or of local or other traffic laws or regulations).

Generally, a police officer who discovers a vehicle stopped, standing, or parked in violation of State law must (1) deliver a copy of a citation to the driver or, if the vehicle is unattended, attach a copy of a citation to the vehicle in a conspicuous place and (2) keep a written or

electronic copy of the citation, bearing the officer's certification under penalty of perjury that the facts stated in the citation are true.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Anne Arundel, Charles, Frederick, Montgomery, and Somerset counties; City of Havre de Grace; Department of State Police; Department of Legislative Services

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