HOUSE BILL 835

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By: Cecil County Delegation

Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2023 Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Motor Vehicle Registration - Exception for Golf Carts - Town of Charlestown

- FOR the purpose of creating an exception to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts in the Town of Charlestown, Cecil County, subject to certain requirements and conditions; authorizing the Town Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown to designate highways on which a person may operate a golf cart in the Town of Charlestown; and generally relating to exceptions to motor vehicle registration requirements for golf carts.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 10 Article Transportation
- 11 Section 13-402(a)(1)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Transportation
- 16 Section 13-402(c)(12)
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 19 BY adding to

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- 20 Article Transportation
- 21 Section 21–104.7
- 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 23 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 24 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 25 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation



- 1 13–402.
- 2 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section or elsewhere in the
- 3 Maryland Vehicle Law, each motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer driven on
- 4 a highway shall be registered under this subtitle.
- 5 (c) Registration under this subtitle is not required for:
- 6 (12) A golf cart that is operated on a highway in accordance with § 21–104.2,
- 7 § 21–104.3, § 21–104.4, [or] § 21–104.6, OR § 21–104.7 of this article;
- 8 **21–104.7.**
- 9 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON WHO
- 10 OPERATES A GOLF CART ON A HIGHWAY IN THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, CECIL
- 11 COUNTY, WITHOUT REGISTRATION AS AUTHORIZED UNDER § 13–402(C)(12) OF THIS
- 12 ARTICLE:
- 13 (1) MAY OPERATE THE GOLF CART ONLY:
- 14 (I) ON A HIGHWAY ON WHICH THE MAXIMUM POSTED SPEED
- 15 LIMIT DOES NOT EXCEED 30 MILES PER HOUR; AND
- 16 (II) IF THE GOLF CART IS EQUIPPED WITH LIGHTING DEVICES
- 17 AS REQUIRED BY THE ADMINISTRATION;
- 18 (2) SHALL KEEP THE GOLF CART AS FAR TO THE RIGHT OF THE
- 19 ROADWAY AS FEASIBLE; AND
- 20 (3) SHALL POSSESS A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE.
- 21 (B) THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN MAY
- 22 DESIGNATE BY RESOLUTION THE HIGHWAYS IN THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN,
- 23 CECIL COUNTY, ON WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A GOLF CART.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 25 October 1, 2023.