

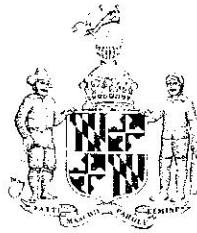
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SUPPORT HB 271

Vehicle Laws - Certificate of Title Fee - Trailer Gifted to Family Member

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Mr. Hughes from Parkton gave his son his a small boat and boat trailer. When he went to the MVA to transfer the trailer title to his son, he was SHOCKED to be charged \$100 for a title transfer. He paid the \$100, plus the \$51 registration fee.

Mr. Hughes then wrote a letter asking if we could address this issue.

The MVA does waive the fee for car title transfers for estates and trusts. His request is reasonable.

HB 271 will allow the gifting of a 3,000 pound or less trailer to be title transfer to a specified immediate family member- spouse, child, grandchild, parent, sibling, grandparent, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, niece or nephew of the title holder. The transfer fee is reduced to \$50.

The fiscal note on this is very minimal. There are not very many 3,000 pound trailers that will be gifted to a family member.

A suggested amendment from MVA makes the bill better:

The language of the bill basically mirrors eligibility for exemption from excise tax for familial transfers in 13-810(c)(1), except that it omits the subparagraph (ii). Without (ii) in the new law customers may run in to a confusing situation where a niece or nephew transfer would be exempt from the title fee but only exempt from excise tax if the transferor is over 65.

Please vote favorably on HB 271