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The Honorable Kumar P. Barve  
Chair, House Environment and Transportation Committee  
Room 251, House Office Building  
Annapolis MD 21401

***RE: Letter of Information – House Bill 545 – Vehicle Laws - Annual Vehicle Shows - Motor and Trailer Homes***

Dear Chair Barve and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) takes no position on House Bill 545 but offers the following information for the Committee's consideration.

House Bill 545 would remove certain restrictions and requirements around dealers and licensed salesmen at vehicle shows featuring motor homes and trailers. It would also allow licensed out-of-state dealers and salesmen to participate and allows for the sale of used motor homes and trailers.

The MDOT Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) oversees dealership regulations and enforcement along with licenses for salesmen. The MVA only has the authority to enforce Maryland laws around vehicle and trailer sales for businesses and salesmen licensed in Maryland. Any dealers and their salesmen who are not licensed in Maryland and conduct business at vehicle shows in the state would not be subject to consumer law enforcement for any sales made at those shows as a result.

In addition, any purchases of such motor homes and trailers made at vehicle shows by Marylanders from an out-of-state entity at the show would bear the responsibility of any tax liabilities along with registration and title paperwork and fees. These are matters generally handled as a service by licensed Maryland dealers who calculate and arrange payment of relevant excise taxes along with assisting in completing and submitting the required title and registration paperwork when purchasing from them.

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests that the Committee consider this information when deliberating House Bill 545.

Respectfully submitted,

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