Maryland Motor Truck Association



POSITION:	Support
COMMITTEE:	House Environment & Transportation
BILL NO/TITLE:	HB470: Vehicle Laws - Obscured or Modified Registration Plates
HEARING DATE:	February 6, 2025

Maryland Motor Truck Association (MMTA) offers its support for HB470, which would alter an existing offense by prohibiting a person from obscuring or modifying a vehicle registration plate in a manner that may prevent identification, rather than the current statutory requirement of having intent to avoid identification.

MMTA is aware that there are some commercial vehicle operators who attempt to avoid responsibility for things like tolls by obscuring their license plates. Proving intent in these situations is difficult. Inasmuch as HB470 will assist law enforcement by allowing them to cite any vehicle operator with an obscured license plate, MMTA urges a favorable report.

<u>About Maryland Motor Truck Association</u>: Maryland Motor Truck Association is a non-profit trade association that has represented the trucking industry since 1935. In service to its 1,000 members, MMTA is committed to support, advocate and educate for a safe, efficient and profitable trucking industry in Maryland.

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