

HOUSE BILL 268

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By: **Chair, Environmental Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Transportation)**

Introduced and read first time: January 27, 2012

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicle Administration – Vehicle Dealers**

3 FOR the purpose of decreasing the minimum number of vehicles a person must offer to
4 sell during a 12-month period in order for the person to be considered a “dealer”
5 for purposes of the Maryland Vehicle Law; repealing a certain requirement that
6 a licensed dealer apply for at least a certain number of temporary registration
7 plates in order to qualify for certain temporary registration plates; requiring a
8 licensed dealer to pay a certain annual fee for each business location; and
9 generally relating to vehicle dealers.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Transportation
12 Section 11–111, 13–601, and 15–307
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Transportation**

18 11–111.

19 “Dealer” means a person who is in the business of buying, selling, or exchanging
20 vehicles including a person who during any 12-month period offers to sell [five]
21 **THREE** or more vehicles, the ownership of which was acquired for resale purposes.

22 13–601.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the Administration
2 may design temporary registration plates and furnish them to any licensed dealer
3 who[:

4 (1) On] **APPLIES FOR THE PLATES ON** the form that the
5 Administration requires[, applies for at least five of these plates; and

6 (2) With the application,] **AND** submits a fee established by the
7 Administration for each plate.

8 (b) A wholesale dealer may not apply for temporary registration plates.

9 15-307.

10 (a) Each licensed dealer shall pay to the Administration an annual license
11 fee established by the Administration for each license year or part of a license year for
12 which the license is issued.

13 (b) A licensed dealer [need not] **SHALL** pay [more than one] **AN** annual fee[,
14 regardless of the number of its business locations] **FOR EACH BUSINESS LOCATION**.

15 (c) On payment of the fee required by this section and issuance of a dealer's
16 license, the Administration also shall issue one vehicle salesman's license without
17 further charge.

18 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2012.