

CHAPTER 503

(House Bill 317)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Obscuring or Modifying Registration Plate with Intent to Avoid Identification

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from obscuring or modifying any vehicle registration plate with intent to avoid identification; providing certain administrative and criminal penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to vehicle registration plates.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 16-402(a)(1) and 27-101(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Transportation

Section 21-1112.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

16-402.

(a) After the conviction of an individual for a violation of Article 27, § 388, § 388A, or § 388B of the Code, or of the vehicle laws or regulations of this State or of any local authority, points shall be assessed against the individual as of the date of violation and as follows:

(1) Any moving violation not listed below and not contributing to an accident.....1 point

21-1112.1.

(A) A PERSON MAY NOT OBSCURE OR MODIFY ANY VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATE WITH INTENT TO AVOID IDENTIFICATION.

(B) A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IS A MOVING VIOLATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ASSESSMENT OF POINTS UNDER § 16-402 OF THIS ARTICLE.