

CHAPTER 156

(House Bill 327)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Abandoned Vehicle

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "abandoned vehicle" for purposes of the vehicle laws.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation
Section 25-201(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Transportation

25-201.

(b) "Abandoned vehicle" means any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer:

(1) That is inoperable and left unattended on public property for more than 48 hours;

(2) That has remained illegally on public property for more than 48 hours;

(3) That has remained on private property for more than 48 hours without the consent of the owner or person in control of the property;

(4) That has remained in a garage for more than 10 days after the garage keeper has given the owner of the vehicle notice by registered mail, return receipt requested, to remove the vehicle;

(5) That has remained in a garage for more than 10 days after the period when, by contract, the vehicle was to remain in the garage; [or]

(6) That was left for more than 10 days in a garage by:

(i) Someone other than its registered owner; or