CHAPTER 335

(House Bill 616)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Vehicle Law - Recording Illegal Activity

FOR the purpose of establishing that it is a crime for a person to commit or engage in an activity that is another person to commit a violation of law involving the reckless driving of a motor vehicle or the Maryland Vehicle Law that is punishable by a sentence of imprisonment and to make, or the offense of reckless driving, for the purpose of making certain recordings of that activity, unless certain written permission is obtained; establishing an exception to the application of this Act; establishing eriminal penalties for violating certain penalties for a violation of this Act; defining a certain term; and generally relating to prohibiting the recording of an illegal activity.

BY adding to

Article Criminal Law

Section 10-205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

<u>Article - Transportation</u>

Section 21-1126 and 27-101(v)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

Article - Criminal Law

10 - 205.

(A) A PERSON MAY NOT:

- (1) CONSPIRE TO ENCAGE IN AN ACTIVITY THAT IS A VIOLATION OF
 - (I) INVOLVING THE RECKLESS DRIVING OF A MOTOR VEHICLE; OR
 - (II) PUNISHABLE BY A SENTENCE OF IMPRISONMENT; AND
- (2) FILM, VIDEOTAPE, PHOTOGRAPH, AUDIOTAPE, OR OTHERWISE RECORD AN ACTIVITY DESCRIBED IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE OFFICER'S OFFICIAL DUTIES.