

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

Approved May 26, 1994.

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CHAPTER 459

(House Bill 497)

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to assist in the prevention and deterrence of vehicle theft and related crimes in Maryland; providing for the membership of the Council; providing for the powers and duties of the Council; establishing a Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund to be used by the Council; establishing the uses of the Fund; ~~establishing an assessment on certain insurers to fund the Fund;~~ providing that the Fund is not part of the General Fund; ~~authorizing an assessment to be billed to certain policyholders under certain circumstances providing for the transfer of certain revenues into the Fund;~~ defining certain terms; permitting expenditures from the Fund under certain circumstances; requiring a certain department to evaluate a certain program and issue a report by a certain date; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Council; providing for the termination of this Act; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the establishment of the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 4-102(a)

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BY adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 4-1601 through ~~4-1606~~ 4-1605 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 16.

Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund"

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