CHAPTER 673

(Senate Bill 604)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Rented or Leased Replacement Vehicles - Required Security - Task Force to Examine Liability Insurance on Rental Vehicles

FOR the purpose of elarifying that the Motor Vehicle Administration is prohibited from registering a leased vehicle until the lessor provides certain proof of insurance to the Administration; authorizing the owner of a vehicle to be rented certain replacement vehicles to satisfy the insurance requirement for a vehicle by maintaining a certain excess insurance policy which covers a motor vehicle under certain circumstances; requiring the owner of a vehicle to be rented replacement vehicle which is covered by a certain excess insurance coverage to provide a certain notice on a rental agreement informing the renter that the owner's coverage is excess only; making a technical change; defining a certain term; establishing a Task Force to Examine Liability Insurance on Rental Vehicles; specifying the purpose and responsibilities of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report to certain persons by certain dates; providing for the composition of the Task Force; providing for a certain effective date; and generally relating to proof of insurance for the registration of certain rented or leased motor vehicles replacement vehicles and to the Task Force to Examine Liability Insurance on Rental Vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 11-143

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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Article - Transportation

Section 18-101 <u>17-104</u> and 18-102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

11-143.

"Owner", as used in reference to a vehicle:

- (1) Means a person who has the property in or title to the vehicle;
- (2) Includes a person who, subject to a security interest in another person, is entitled to the use and possession of the vehicle;