CHAPTER 550

(Senate Bill 137)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Annual Registration Fee - Special Registration Plates for Disabled Veterans

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a <u>eertain qualifying</u> disabled veteran may receive a special vehicle registration <u>number numbers</u> and special registration plates without paying the annual vehicle registration fee; making a stylistic change; clarifying language; and generally relating to registration fees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 13-903

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

13-903.

- (a) The following vehicles are exempt from the registration fees specified in this subtitle:
- (1) A vehicle that is owned and operated by the United States, this State, or any political subdivision of this State;
- (2) A vehicle that is owned by a volunteer fire company incorporated in this State or by a rescue squad and that is used for fire-fighting or ambulance purposes;
- (3) A canteen wagon of a recognized fire buff organization, as certified by the International Fire Buffs Association:
 - (4) A vehicle owned and operated by the Civil Air Patrol;
- (5) A vehicle owned and operated by a unit of a national veterans' organization;
- (6) A vehicle owned and operated by a Maryland chapter of the American Red Cross;
- (7) A motor vehicle and trailer known as the "40-8 box car" that is owned and operated only for social or charitable purposes by any voiture of the Forty and Eight of the American Legion, Department of Maryland;
 - (8) A vehicle owned and personally used by a veteran who: