

CHAPTER 342
(House Bill 923)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Local Regulation of Parking - Motorcycles

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a political subdivision, in the exercise of its authority to regulate parking, from adopting or enforcing an ordinance or regulation that prohibits the parking of more than one motorcycle in a space served by a single parking meter.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Transportation
Section 26-301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2002 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Transportation

26-301.

(a) In this subtitle, "officer" means a police officer or a person other than a police officer who is authorized to issue a citation for a violation of an ordinance or regulation that is adopted under this section.

(b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, any State agency authorized by law and any political subdivision of this State may adopt ordinances or regulations that:

- (1) Regulate the parking of vehicles;
- (2) Provide for the impounding of vehicles parked in violation of the ordinances or regulations;
- (3) Regulate the towing of vehicles from publicly owned and privately owned parking lots; and
- (4) Provide for the issuance of a citation by an officer for a violation of an ordinance or regulation that is adopted under this section.

(c) A political subdivision may not adopt or enforce an ordinance or regulation that prohibits the parking of ~~two motorcycles~~ MORE THAN ONE MOTORCYCLE within a space served by a single parking meter.

(d) (1) In this subsection, "rental vehicle" means a vehicle that is rented or leased for a period not exceeding 180 days.

(2) If a parking citation is issued for a rental vehicle, the owner is not liable for any penalty in excess of the original fine for a parking violation unless the