

HOUSE BILL 537

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Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2023

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicle Administration – Fines and Fees – Required Notice**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to give certain recurring
4 notice to a person who has been previously notified by the Administration that the
5 person owes a fine or fee to the Administration; and generally relating to notice of
6 fines and fees provided by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Transportation

9 Section 12–114

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Transportation**

15 12–114.

16 (a) Unless another method for giving notice is specifically required, the
17 Administration shall give any notice that it is required or authorized to give under the
18 Maryland Vehicle Law or any other law, either:

19 (1) By personal delivery to the person to be notified; or

20 (2) By mail to the person at the address of the person on record with the
21 Administration.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) If notice is given by mail, the notice is effective at the end of the fifth day after
2 its deposit in the mail.

3 (c) **AFTER A PERSON HAS BEEN NOTIFIED BY THE ADMINISTRATION THAT**
4 **THE PERSON OWES A FINE OR FEE TO THE ADMINISTRATION, THE ADMINISTRATION**
5 **SHALL GIVE A NEW NOTICE TO THE PERSON OF THE FINE OR FEE DUE EVERY 30 DAYS**
6 **UNTIL THE FINE OR FEE IS SATISFIED.**

7 (D) Proof that notice has been given may be made by the certificate of any officer
8 or employee of the Administration or the affidavit of any adult, naming the person to whom
9 the notice was given and stating the time, place, and manner of giving the notice.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2023.