Chapter 287

(Senate Bill 707)

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicles - Temporary In-Transit Registration

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a temporary in-transit registration that allows a nonresident owner of a vehicle to operate the vehicle on a highway in the State only for the purpose of transporting the vehicle to a jurisdiction outside the State for titling and registration; establishing that an application for a temporary in-transit registration may be made only by a nonresident vehicle owner and only on a certain form; authorizing the Administration to determine the period for which a temporary in-transit registration is valid; requiring the Administration to determine the fee to apply for a temporary in-transit registration; establishing that only the Administration or licensed title service agents may issue temporary in-transit registrations; establishing that a temporary in-transit registration may be issued only after the vehicle owner has furnished to the <u>Administration or</u> title service agent proof of identity, vehicle ownership, and insurance; prohibiting the Administration or a title service agent from issuing more than one temporary in-transit registration for any each vehicle sales transaction; requiring the Administration to adopt certain regulations; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to in-transit motor vehicle registration.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation Section 13–405.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

13-405.1.

(A) ON APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEE, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY IN—TRANSIT REGISTRATION TO ALLOW A NONRESIDENT OWNER OF A VEHICLE TO OPERATE THE VEHICLE ON A HIGHWAY IN THE STATE ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSPORTING THE VEHICLE TO A JURISDICTION OUTSIDE THE STATE IN WHICH THE VEHICLE IS TO BE TITLED AND REGISTERED.

- (B) AN APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY IN-TRANSIT REGISTRATION MAY BE MADE ONLY:
 - (1) BY A NONRESIDENT OWNER OF A VEHICLE; AND
 - (2) ON THE FORM THE ADMINISTRATION REQUIRES.
- (C) A TEMPORARY IN-TRANSIT REGISTRATION MAY BE ISSUED FOR A PERIOD DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.
- (D) THE FEE FOR A TEMPORARY IN-TRANSIT REGISTRATION SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.
- (E) (1) ONLY THE ADMINISTRATION OR A LICENSED TITLE SERVICE AGENT MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY IN-TRANSIT REGISTRATION.
- (2) A TEMPORARY IN-TRANSIT REGISTRATION MAY BE ISSUED ONLY AFTER THE VEHICLE OWNER HAS FURNISHED TO THE <u>ADMINISTRATION OR</u> TITLE SERVICE AGENT PROOF OF IDENTITY, VEHICLE OWNERSHIP, AND INSURANCE.
- (3) \triangleq The Administration or \underline{A} title service agent may not issue more than one temporary in-transit registration for \underline{ANY} <u>EACH</u> VEHICLE <u>SALES TRANSACTION</u>.
- (F) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019 June July 1, 2020.

Approved by the Governor, April 30, 2019.