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Assigned to: Rules

## A DILL ENMINEED

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1	AN ACT concerning
2	Vehicle Laws - Special Registration Plates - "In God We Trust"
3	FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop and make
4	available a specially designed registration plate that features the statement "In God
5	We Trust"; and generally relating to specially designed registration plates.
6	BY adding to
7	Article – Transportation
8	Section 13–619.4
9	Annotated Code of Maryland
10	(2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
11	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
12	That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
13	Article – Transportation

- 13-619.4. 14
- (A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL DEVELOP AND MAKE AVAILABLE FOR 15 QUALIFYING VEHICLES A SPECIALLY DESIGNED REGISTRATION PLATE THAT 16 17 FEATURES THE STATEMENT "IN GOD WE TRUST".
- 18 (B) THE OWNER OF A VEHICLE, A LESSEE OF THE VEHICLE UNDER A LEASE 19 NOT INTENDED AS SECURITY, OR A DIRECTOR, AN OFFICER, AN EMPLOYEE, OR A 20 PARTNER OF A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT OWNS THE VEHICLE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE
- 21 BY THE ADMINISTRATION MAY APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE
- 22ASSIGNMENT OF A REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE VEHICLE IS
- 23 INCLUDED IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

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1	(1) A CLASS A (PASSENGER) VEHICLE;
2 3	(2) A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A MANUFACTURER'S RATED CAPACITY OF 1 TON OR LESS;
4	(3) A CLASS E (FARM TRUCK) VEHICLE;
5	(4) A CLASS G (TRAILER) VEHICLE; OR
6	(5) A CLASS M (MULTIPURPOSE) VEHICLE.
7	(C) (1) IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE OTHERWISE
8	REQUIRED UNDER THIS TITLE, WHEN INITIALLY ISSUED THE REGISTRATION PLATE
9	UNDER THIS SECTION THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE ASSIGNED THE REGISTRATION
0	PLATE SHALL PAY A ONE-TIME FEE SET BY THE ADMINISTRATION TO RECOVER THE
1	ADMINISTRATION'S COSTS UNDER THIS SECTION.
$_{12}$	(2) NO PORTION OF THE FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY
13	BE CREDITED TO THE GASOLINE AND MOTOR VEHICLE REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR
L4	DISTRIBUTION UNDER § 8–403 OR § 8–404 OF THIS ARTICLE.
L <b>4</b>	DISTRIBUTION UNDER 8 0-403 OR 9 0-404 OF THIS ARTICLE.
15	(D) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL:
6	(1) Design the registration plate to be issued under this
17	SECTION; AND
18	(2) ADOPT REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL
9	REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect