

HOUSE BILL 848

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By: **Delegates Lam, Carr, Ebersole, Hill, Jalisi, Pena–Melnyk, and Pendergrass**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2016

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted with floor amendments

Read second time: March 17, 2016

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Causing Diesel Emissions to Discharge Onto Another –**
3 **Prohibition**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from causing a diesel–powered motor vehicle to
5 emit certain ~~excess~~ clearly visible emissions onto another person or motor vehicle;
6 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition on
7 the discharge of excess diesel–powered motor vehicle emissions.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Transportation

10 Section 21–1130

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Transportation**

16 **21–1130.**

17 **(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON**
18 **MAY NOT KNOWINGLY OR INTENTIONALLY CAUSE A DIESEL–POWERED MOTOR**
19 **VEHICLE TO DISCHARGE ~~EXCESS~~ CLEARLY VISIBLE SMOKE, SOOT, OR OTHER**
20 **EXHAUST EMISSIONS ONTO ANOTHER PERSON OR MOTOR VEHICLE.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERSON OPERATING ~~A~~;

2 (1) A DIESEL-POWERED VEHICLE THAT DISCHARGES VISIBLE
3 EXHAUST AS THE RESULT OF NORMAL ACCELERATION OR TOWING;

4 (2) A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE WITH A GROSS WEIGHT OF 10,000
5 POUNDS OR MORE; OR

6 (3) A CONSTRUCTION VEHICLE OPERATING AT A CONSTRUCTION
7 SITE.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.