

# HOUSE BILL 198

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By: **Delegate Ebersole**

Requested: October 20, 2021

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Towing – Clearing and Disposal of Debris**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a person who undertakes the towing or removal of a vehicle  
4 from a roadway following an accident or other incident to clear certain debris off the  
5 roadway and ensure that large debris is disposed of; and generally relating to towing  
6 or removing vehicles following an accident or incident.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Transportation

9 Section 21–1133

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 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 **21–1133.**

16 **A PERSON WHO UNDERTAKES THE TOWING OR REMOVAL OF A VEHICLE FROM**  
17 **A ROADWAY FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT OR OTHER INCIDENT SHALL:**

18 **(1) CLEAR OFF THE ROADWAY ANY DEBRIS THAT IS ON THE ROADWAY**  
19 **AS A RESULT OF THE ACCIDENT OR OTHER INCIDENT; AND**

20 **(2) ENSURE THAT ANY LARGE DEBRIS IS DISPOSED OF IN**  
21 **ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2   October 1, 2022.