

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND  
Legislative Session 2015, Legislative Day No. 4

Bill No. 9-16

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Councilmembers Bevins & Quirk

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By the County Council, February 16, 2015

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A BILL  
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Parking Violations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the parking of certain vehicles in spaces designated for plug-in vehicles; defining terms; prohibiting the parking of a vehicle that is not a plug-in vehicle in a space designated for plug-in vehicles; providing penalties; and generally relating to the parking of plug-in vehicles.

BY adding  
Section 18-2-212  
Article 18 - Transportation  
Title 2 - Vehicles and Traffic  
Baltimore County Code 2003

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments  
Section 18-2-702(a)  
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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.  
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE  
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County, Maryland read as follows:

3 § 18-2-212. PARKING IN SPACES RESERVED FOR PLUG-IN VEHICLES.

4 A. DEFINITION.

5 1. IN THIS SECTION, "PLUG-IN VEHICLE" MEANS A VEHICLE THAT:

6 (I) IS MADE BY A VEHICLE MANUFACTURER;

7 (II) IS MANUFACTURED PRIMARILY FOR USE ON A PUBLIC STREET,  
8 ROAD, OR HIGHWAY;

9 (III) HAS A RATED UNLOADED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF NO MORE  
10 THAN 8,500 POUNDS;

11 (IV) HAS A MAXIMUM SPEED CAPABILITY OF AT LEAST 55 MILES PER  
12 HOUR; AND

13 (V) IS PROPELLED TO A SIGNIFICANT EXTENT BY AN ELECTRIC MOTOR  
14 THAT DRAWS ELECTRICITY FROM A BATTERY THAT:

15 (A) FOR A FOUR WHEELED VEHICLE, HAS A CAPACITY OF AT  
16 LEAST FOUR KILOWATT HOURS;

17 (B) FOR A TWO OR THREE WHEELED VEHICLE, HAS A CAPACITY  
18 OF AT LEAST 2.5 KILOWATT HOURS; AND

19 (C) CAN BE RECHARGED FROM AN EXTERNAL SOURCE OF  
20 ELECTRICITY.

21 2. PLUG-IN VEHICLE INCLUDES A QUALIFYING VEHICLE THAT HAS BEEN  
22 MODIFIED FROM THE ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS.

1 B. PROHIBITION.

2 A PERSON MAY NOT PARK A VEHICLE THAT IS NOT A PLUG-IN VEHICLE IN A  
3 SPACE, INCLUDING A SPACE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY USED BY THE PUBLIC IN  
4 GENERAL, THAT

5 (1) IS DESIGNATED FOR THE USE OF PLUG-IN VEHICLES WITH A SIGN  
6 APPROVED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT STATING THE PROHIBITION OF THIS  
7 SECTION; AND

8 (2) PROVIDES ACCESS TO A PLUG-IN VEHICLE RECHARGING STATION.

9 C. PENALTY.

10 A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.

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12 § 18-2-702. PENALTIES.

13 (a) In general. In addition to the costs established in the Courts Article of the  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland, the following fines are imposed:

15 (1) A parking meter violation is punishable by a fine of \$20;

16 (2) An off-street head-in violation on a parking meter lot is punishable by a  
17 fine of \$25;

18 (3) Parking where or when prohibited is a violation punishable by a fine of  
19 \$50;

20 (4) Parking an unregistered vehicle in violation of this title is a violation  
21 punishable by a fine of \$40;

22 (5) Stopping or standing violations are punishable by a fine of \$50;

23 (6) Obstructing a fire lane or parking in a fire lane in violation of § 14-3-103 of  
24 the Code is a violation punishable by a fine of \$100;

1           (7)    Parking in a space designated for the use of individuals with disabilities in  
2 violation of § 18-2-210 of this title is a violation punishable by a fine of \$150; [and]

3           (8)    PARKING IN A SPACE DESIGNATED FOR PLUG-IN VEHICLES IN  
4 VIOLATION OF §18-2-212 IS A VIOLATION PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF \$75; AND

5           [(8)] (9) Except as provided in §§ 18-2-206(e) and 18-2-211 of this title, all other  
6 parking violations are punishable by a fine of \$50.

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8           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by  
9 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council shall take effect on April 4, 2016.

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