

# HOUSE BILL 344

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(4lr2081)

## ENROLLED BILL

— *Economic Matters/Judicial Proceedings* —

Introduced by **Charles County Delegation**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Speaker.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County – Sunday Car ~~Sales~~ Sales Blue Law Exemption – Enabling**  
3 **Authority**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Charles County Commissioners, after a public  
5 hearing, to adopt an ordinance authorizing a new or used car dealer in Charles  
6 County to sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle  
7 or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday; and generally relating to  
8 enabling authority for Sunday car sales in Charles County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Business Regulation  
11 Section 18–101  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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#### 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.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*



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

3 **Article – Business Regulation**

4 18–101.

5 (a) (1) This section does not apply to the laws that relate to the sale of  
6 alcoholic beverages.

7 (2) This section does not apply in Wicomico County.

8 (b) Subject to this section and § 3–704 of the Labor and Employment Article,  
9 a retail or wholesale establishment may do business on Sunday.

10 (c) Notwithstanding an agreement to the contrary between a merchant and  
11 landlord:

12 (1) the landlord may not directly or indirectly require the merchant to  
13 open the merchant's place of business on Sunday; and

14 (2) a landlord may not directly or indirectly cancel or refuse to renew  
15 the merchant's lease because the merchant refuses to open the merchant's place of  
16 business on Sunday.

17 (d) Except in ~~CHARLES~~, Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George's  
18 counties, and except as provided in subsections (g) ~~and~~ (h), **AND (I)** of this section, a  
19 new or used car dealer may not sell, barter, deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a  
20 motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on Sunday.

21 (e) In Anne Arundel County, a dealer may sell, barter, deliver, give away,  
22 show, or offer for sale on Sunday a new or used camping trailer, mobile home, or travel  
23 trailer, as those terms are defined in Title 11 of the Transportation Article.

24 (f) A new or used car dealer who violates subsection (d) of this section is  
25 guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.

26 (g) In Anne Arundel County and Worcester County, a dealer may sell, barter,  
27 deliver, give away, show, or offer for sale a motorcycle, as defined in § 11–136 of the  
28 Transportation Article, or certificate of title for a motorcycle on Sunday.

29 (h) In Baltimore City, a used car dealer may sell, barter, deliver, give away,  
30 show, or offer for sale a motor vehicle or certificate of title for a motor vehicle on  
31 Sunday, instead of Saturday, if the dealer notifies the Motor Vehicle Administration in  
32 advance that the dealer intends to conduct business on Sunday, instead of Saturday.

1           **(1) IN CHARLES COUNTY, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AFTER A**  
2 **PUBLIC HEARING, MAY ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A NEW OR USED**  
3 **CAR DEALER TO SELL, BARTER, DELIVER, GIVE AWAY, SHOW, OR OFFER FOR**  
4 **SALE A MOTOR VEHICLE OR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE ON**  
5 **SUNDAY.**

6           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7           October 1, 2014.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.