

SENATE BILL 768

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Organ Donation Driver Education Act of 2013**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations
4 requiring that classroom instruction for the driver education program include
5 an online course of a certain duration that pertains to organ, eye, and tissue
6 donation in the State and becoming an organ, eye, or tissue donor; allowing the
7 online course to be completed in or outside the classroom; requiring that the
8 online course be established and provided by Donate Life Maryland; and
9 generally relating to the driver education program.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Transportation
12 Section 16–505
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2012 Replacement Volume)

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

17 **Article – Transportation**

18 16–505.

19 (a) The Administration shall, in consultation with the State Department of
20 Education, adopt and enforce regulations not inconsistent with this subtitle to
21 implement a standardized driver education program conducted by driver education
22 schools under its jurisdiction.

23 (b) Regulations adopted under this section shall be administered by the
24 Administration and shall include:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) Curriculum, equipment, and facility standards for classroom,
2 laboratory, and on-road instruction phases;

3 (2) Minimum student performance standards for an approved driver
4 education program based upon the standardized curriculum approved by the
5 Administration, consisting of at least:

6 **(I) 30 hours of classroom instruction, EXCEPT THAT 30**
7 **MINUTES OF THE 30 HOURS SHALL CONSIST OF AN ONLINE COURSE THAT:**

8 **1. MAY BE COMPLETED IN OR OUTSIDE THE**
9 **CLASSROOM;**

10 **2. IS DEDICATED TO EDUCATION ON ORGAN, EYE,**
11 **AND TISSUE DONATION IN THE STATE AND HOW TO BECOME AN ORGAN, EYE, OR**
12 **TISSUE DONOR; AND**

13 **3. IS ESTABLISHED AND PROVIDED BY DONATE LIFE**
14 **MARYLAND; and [at least]**

15 **(II) 6 hours of highway driving instruction;**

16 (3) Standards for the certification of schools and instructors;

17 (4) A system to evaluate the effectiveness of the driver education
18 program;

19 (5) Standards governing the required offering of the driver education
20 program, based on the capacity, enrollment, staff, and facilities of the schools; and

21 (6) Standards for the eligibility of individuals to enroll in the program.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2013.