SENATE BILL 58

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By: Senator Pugh

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Education – School Vehicles – Authorized Riders

- FOR the purpose of prohibiting the driver of a school vehicle from allowing certain
 individuals to board or ride on the school vehicle subject to certain exceptions;
 authorizing certain individuals to board or ride on a school vehicle under certain
 circumstances; and generally relating to riders on school vehicles.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Transportation
- 9 Section 16–816
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Transportation

15 16-816.

16 (a) An individual may not drive a school vehicle on any highway in this State 17 unless the individual:

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(1) Passes an appropriate medical examination; and

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.



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1 (2) For driving a school bus, has been issued a commercial driver's 2 license endorsed school bus.

3 (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) OF THIS 4 SECTION, A DRIVER OF A SCHOOL VEHICLE MAY NOT ALLOW AN INDIVIDUAL 5 WHO IS NOT A STUDENT OR SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TO BOARD OR RIDE ON THE 6 SCHOOL VEHICLE.

7 (C) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY BOARD AND RIDE ON A SCHOOL VEHICLE AS A
8 SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT IF THE INDIVIDUAL:

9 (1) (I) IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OR 10 TRANSPORTATION COMPANY THAT OPERATES THE SCHOOL VEHICLE;

(II) IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL
SYSTEM TO ACT AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT FOR A CHILD ON THE
SCHOOL VEHICLE; OR

(III) IS A NURSE, AN AIDE, OR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL
ASSIGNED OR AUTHORIZED TO WORK WITH A STUDENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE STUDENT'S INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLAN, 504 PLAN PROGRAM, 504
PLAN UNDER THE FEDERAL REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973, OR OTHER
STUDENT-SPECIFIC WRITTEN PLAN; AND

19(2)(I)IS IN POSSESSION OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION THAT20IDENTIFIES THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OR TRANSPORTATION COMPANY THAT21EMPLOYS THE INDIVIDUAL AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT; OR

(II) IS IN POSSESSION OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION OR
 ANOTHER DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM THAT
 AUTHORIZES THE INDIVIDUAL TO ACT AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT FOR A
 CHILD ON THE SCHOOL VEHICLE.

26 (D) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY BOARD AND RIDE ON A SCHOOL VEHICLE WITH 27 THE WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

28 [(b)] (E) With the advice of the State Department of Education, the 29 Administration may adopt regulations concerning the qualifications of school vehicle 30 drivers.

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