

Chapter 184

(Senate Bill 618)

AN ACT concerning

Public Safety – Retired Law Enforcement Officer Identification Card

FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency to provide a retiring law enforcement officer with a certain identification card under certain circumstances; requiring a law enforcement agency to provide a certain retired law enforcement officer with a certain identification card under certain circumstances; authorizing a law enforcement agency to charge a certain fee for an identification card or a replacement card; requiring a law enforcement officer to meet certain requirements to qualify for an identification card under this Act; establishing the form and contents of an identification card issued under this Act; and generally relating to identification cards for retired law enforcement officers.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 3–510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

Article – Public Safety

3–510.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) “COMMISSION” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 3–201 OF THIS TITLE.

(3) “LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 3–201 OF THIS TITLE.

(B) (1) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE A RETIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WITH AN IDENTIFICATION CARD UNDER THIS SECTION WITHIN 45 DAYS AFTER THE OFFICER’S RETIREMENT FROM THE AGENCY IF THE OFFICER:

(I) MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(II) PAYS THE FEE SET BY THE AGENCY UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(2) IF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETIRED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2015, ON REQUEST OF THE RETIRED OFFICER, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FROM WHICH THE OFFICER RETIRED SHALL PROVIDE THE OFFICER WITH AN IDENTIFICATION CARD UNDER THIS SECTION WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE OFFICER MAKES THE REQUEST IF THE OFFICER:

(I) MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(II) PAYS THE FEE SET BY THE AGENCY UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(3) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY CHARGE A REASONABLE FEE NOT EXCEEDING \$20 FOR EACH IDENTIFICATION CARD OR REPLACEMENT CARD ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(C) TO QUALIFY FOR AN IDENTIFICATION CARD UNDER THIS SECTION, A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

(1) SHALL HAVE RETIRED IN GOOD STANDING AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR REASONS OTHER THAN MENTAL INSTABILITY; AND

(2) BEFORE RETIREMENT SHALL HAVE:

(I) BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE COMMISSION;

(II) HAD STATUTORY POWERS OF ARREST IN THE STATE; AND

(III) COMPLETED AN APPLICABLE PROBATIONARY PERIOD.

(D) AN IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE IN THE FORM APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION AND INCLUDE:

(1) THE CAPTION "RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" PRINTED ON THE FRONT OF THE CARD;

(2) A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE CARD;

(3) THE NAME ~~AND SIGNATURE~~ OF THE RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER;

(4) THE NAME ~~AND TELEPHONE NUMBER~~ OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT ISSUED THE CARD;

~~(5) THE NAME, TITLE, AND SIGNATURE OF THE CHIEF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE ISSUING AGENCY;~~

~~(6)~~ THE DATE THE CARD WAS ISSUED AND A STATEMENT THAT THE CARD DOES NOT EXPIRE; AND

~~(7)~~ (6) THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "THIS CARD IS THE PROPERTY OF THE ISSUING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY."

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.

Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.