

HOUSE BILL 1071

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ENROLLED BILL

— Judiciary/Judicial Proceedings —

Introduced by **Delegates Valentino-Smith, Holmes, Kramer, McComas, McCray, and ~~Sanchez~~ Sanchez, and Fraser-Hidalgo**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Victim’s Representative Notification – License Suspension**
3 **Hearing**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission to
5 ~~develop and, as necessary, update~~ distribute a certain form; requiring a ~~law~~
6 ~~enforcement officer~~ certain investigating agency to provide certain information and
7 a certain form to a victim’s representative in certain situations ~~and within a certain~~
8 ~~period of time after a certain event; requiring a law enforcement officer to certify~~
9 ~~certain facts to the Motor Vehicle Administration under certain circumstances;~~
10 ~~requiring the Administration to contact a certain State’s Attorney in certain~~
11 ~~situations in order to obtain certain information;~~ altering the period of time during
12 which a victim’s representative may file a certain form; altering the circumstances
13 under which the Motor Vehicle Administration is required to provide notice of a
14 certain hearing to a victim’s representative; requiring the Administration to notify

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 the Office of Administrative Hearings if a certain form is filed; requiring the
 2 Administration to provide certain materials to a certain individual without cost;
 3 providing that a certain individual must only provide certain notice to the
 4 Administration when it is practicable to do so; requiring the Administration to make
 5 certain materials available on the Administration's Web site; requiring the
 6 Administration to track certain statistics; requiring the Governor's Office of Crime
 7 Control and Prevention to develop and, as necessary, update a certain form; and
 8 generally relating to a victim's representative notification.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Public Safety
 11 Section 3–207(h)
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
 13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

15 Article – Transportation
 16 Section 12–206.1
 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
 18 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

20 Article – Transportation
 21 Section 16–206(a)(5)(i) and (f)
 22 Annotated Code of Maryland
 23 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Public Safety**

27 3–207.

28 ~~(H) THE COMMISSION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF~~
 29 ~~ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND~~
 30 ~~PREVENTION, AND THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION, SHALL DEVELOP AND,~~
 31 ~~AS NECESSARY, UPDATE A UNIFORM VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION~~
 32 ~~FORM THAT MAY BE FILED BY A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE UNDER § 12-206.1 OF~~
 33 ~~THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE. THE COMMISSION SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE~~
 34 ~~VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION FORM DEVELOPED BY THE GOVERNOR'S~~
 35 ~~OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION UNDER § 12-206.1(E) OF THE~~
 36 ~~TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE TO EACH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THE STATE.~~

37 **Article – Transportation**

1 12-206.1.

2 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

3 (2) "Victim" means a person who dies as the result of the commission of a
4 moving violation by another person.

5 (3) "Victim's representative" means a member of the family of a victim or a
6 guardian or personal representative of a victim.

7 (b) (1) ~~During the investigation of a moving violation~~ ~~WITHIN 5 DAYS~~
8 ~~AFTER A CONVICTION OF A MOVING VIOLATION ON FIRST CONTACT WITH A VICTIM'S~~
9 ~~REPRESENTATIVE, a law enforcement officer, THE INVESTIGATING AGENCY~~ shall
10 ~~inform:~~

11 (I) ~~INFORM~~ ~~THE~~ victim's representative of the right to file a
12 victim's representation notification form with the Administration to request to be notified
13 of a hearing under § 16-206(f) of this article; ~~AND~~

14 (II) ~~PROVIDE THE VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE WITH A COPY OF~~
15 ~~THE VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION FORM DEVELOPED BY THE~~
16 ~~GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION UNDER SUBSECTION~~
17 ~~(E) OF THIS SECTION.~~

18 (2) A victim's representation notification form under this subsection may
19 only be filed ~~within 20 days after the conviction of the moving violation~~ AT LEAST 30 DAYS
20 BEFORE A HEARING UNDER § 16-206(F) OF THIS ARTICLE.

21 ~~(3) (i) A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO COMPLIES WITH OR~~
22 ~~ATTEMPTS TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS~~
23 ~~SUBSECTION SHALL CERTIFY TO THE ADMINISTRATION THAT THE OFFICER:~~

24 1. ~~INFORMED A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE OF THE~~
25 ~~RIGHT TO FILE A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION FORM UNDER THIS~~
26 ~~SUBSECTION; OR~~

27 2. ~~WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY A VICTIM'S~~
28 ~~REPRESENTATIVE.~~

29 ~~(H) IF THE ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT RECEIVE A~~
30 ~~CERTIFICATION FROM A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH,~~
31 ~~THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONTACT THE STATE'S ATTORNEY THAT SERVES THE~~
32 ~~COUNTY IN WHICH THE VICTIM DIED TO IDENTIFY A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE.~~

1 (c) (1) If a victim's representative files a victim's representation notification
 2 form under subsection (b) of this section AND THE PERSON WHO COMMITTED THE
 3 MOVING VIOLATION THAT RESULTED IN THE VICTIM'S DEATH REQUESTS A HEARING
 4 UNDER § 16-206(F) OF THIS ARTICLE, the Administration shall ~~give the~~ NOTIFY:

5 (I) THE victim's representative ~~notice~~ OF THE HEARING in
 6 accordance with § 12-114 of this title at least 21 days before ~~a hearing under § 16-206(f) of~~
 7 ~~this article~~ THE HEARING; AND

8 (II) THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS THAT THE
 9 VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE HAS FILED A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION
 10 FORM UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

11 (2) Notice provided under this subsection shall state:

12 (i) The date, time, place, and nature of the hearing;

13 (ii) The legal authority and jurisdiction of the Administration to hear
 14 the matter;

15 (iii) The nature of the proposed action that the Administration is to
 16 consider;

17 (iv) That a copy of the hearing procedures is available on request and
 18 [the cost to obtain a copy] **WITHOUT COST TO THE VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE;**

19 (v) The right of the victim's representative to be present at the
 20 hearing;

21 (vi) The right of the victim's representative to submit a written
 22 statement for consideration by the Administration at the hearing; and

23 (vii) The right of the victim's representative to make an oral
 24 statement for consideration by the Administration at the hearing.

25 (3) (i) If a victim's representative intends to make an oral statement,
 26 the victim's representative shall, ~~IF PRACTICABLE,~~ notify the Administration at least 10
 27 days before the hearing.

28 (ii) If a victim's representative intends to submit a written
 29 statement, the statement shall, ~~IF PRACTICABLE,~~ be submitted to the Administration at
 30 least 10 days before the hearing.

31 ~~(4) (I) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAKE AN ELECTRONIC~~
 32 ~~VERSION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING PROCEDURES AVAILABLE ON THE~~
 33 ~~ADMINISTRATION'S WEB SITE.~~

1 ~~(H) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL UPDATE THE ELECTRONIC~~
2 ~~VERSION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING PROCEDURES TO REFLECT CHANGES~~
3 ~~IN PROCEDURES.~~

4 (d) (1) If a victim's representative provides notice in accordance with
5 subsection (c)(3)(i) of this section, the Administration shall allow the victim's representative
6 to make an oral statement for consideration by the Administration at the hearing.

7 (2) If a victim's representative submits a written statement in accordance
8 with subsection (c)(3)(ii) of this section, the Administration shall:

9 (i) Provide a copy of the written statement to the licensee before the
10 hearing begins; and

11 (ii) Consider the written statement at the hearing.

12 ~~(E) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF THE NUMBER OF:~~

13 ~~(1) CERTIFICATIONS RECEIVED FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS~~
14 ~~UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION AND WHETHER A CERTIFICATION~~
15 ~~INDICATED THAT A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WAS ABLE TO INFORM A VICTIM'S~~
16 ~~REPRESENTATIVE OF THE RIGHT TO FILE A VICTIM'S REPRESENTATION~~
17 ~~NOTIFICATION FORM;~~

18 ~~(2) ORAL STATEMENTS OFFERED BY VICTIMS' REPRESENTATIVES AT~~
19 ~~HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 16-206(F) OF THIS ARTICLE; AND~~

20 ~~(3) WRITTEN STATEMENTS OFFERED BY VICTIMS' REPRESENTATIVES~~
21 ~~AT HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 16-206(F) OF THIS ARTICLE.~~

22 (E) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION
23 SHALL DEVELOP AND, AS NECESSARY, UPDATE A UNIFORM VICTIM'S
24 REPRESENTATION NOTIFICATION FORM THAT MAY BE FILED BY A VICTIM'S
25 REPRESENTATIVE UNDER THIS SECTION.

26 16-206.

27 (a) (5) (i) The Administration may suspend the license of a person who is
28 convicted of a moving violation that contributed to an accident resulting in the death of
29 another person.

30 (f) In accordance with Title 12, Subtitle 2 of this article, the Administration shall
31 provide notice of a suspension under subsection (a)(5) of this section and the licensee may
32 request a hearing.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2017.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.