HB0142 - FAVORABLE with Amendments

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I agree with most of the verbiage in this bill.

However today it is legally possible for an immigrant to receive a Maryland Driver's license without having full citizenship (See the notes below). It would be a violation of the Constitution(s) as well as the voter's acts to allow non-citizens to participate in our elections.

This needs to be corrected in the Maryland Transportation code before the Maryland Driver's license ALONE can be used as an ID for voting.

So a birth certificate, or a naturalization/citizenship card along with the DL should be used and should also be used in order to attain the Voter Registration Card.

Thank you.

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Note: Maryland Transportation Code Section 16-106 - Application for license - In general:

- 1. (c)(2) Allows for no SSN to apply for DL.
- 2. (e)(4) "An applicant shall provide satisfactory documentary evidence that the applicant has lawful status." Md. Code, Transp. § 16-106. So a green card is lawful status but IS NOT CITIZENSHIP!!