

By: Chairman, Commerce and Government Matters Committee (Departmental - Transportation)

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Drivers' Licenses - Testing for Motorcycle Permits and Licenses - Waiver

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to waive certain
4 learner's permit and licensing examination requirements for any individual who
5 successfully completes a certain motorcycle safety course; and generally relating to
6 motorcycle licensing and permit requirements.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 16-105(f) and 16-110(g)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article - Transportation
14 Section 16-110(h)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

19 Article - Transportation

20 16-105.

21 (f) (1) The Administration may issue a driver's license, without first issuing a
22 learner's instructional permit and without a waiting period, to any individual who:

23 (I) [has] HAS been licensed regularly to drive in this State, in another
24 state or country, or by the armed forces of the United States, if the Administration is
25 satisfied that the applicant's experience in driving vehicles of the type that would be
26 authorized by the license class applied for is sufficient to justify issuance of the license
27 without further training; OR

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1 (II) HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE ADMINISTRATION
2 APPROVED BASIC MOTORCYCLE SAFETY COURSE, PASSED THE EXAMINATION
3 PORTION OF THE COURSE, AND IS APPLYING FOR A CLASS M DRIVER'S LICENSE.

4 (2) The Administration may examine the applicant's driving as provided in §
5 16-110 of this title.

6 16-110.

7 (g) Except as provided in subsection (h) of this section, the Administration may
8 waive any driver's license examination provided for under this title if the applicant:

9 (1) Holds a valid driver's license issued under this subtitle; [or]

10 (2) IS APPLYING FOR A CLASS M LICENSE AND HAS SUCCESSFULLY
11 COMPLETED THE ADMINISTRATION APPROVED MOTORCYCLE SAFETY COURSE AND
12 PASSED THE EXAMINATION PORTION OF THE COURSE; OR

13 [(2)] (3) Holds a valid license from:

14 (i) Another state;

15 (ii) A territory or possession of the United States, the District of
16 Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; or

17 (iii) A province or territory of Canada.

18 (h) The Administration may not waive a vision examination required under this
19 section.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 October 1, 1996.