
By: **Delegate Arnick**
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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicle Administration - Hearings - Venue for Judicial Review**

3 FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to provide that the proper
4 venue in certain hearings concerning the license of a party to drive is in the
5 county in which the party resides; altering a certain provision of law to provide
6 that the proper venue in certain hearings concerning a license or privilege of a
7 party, other than a driver's license, is in the county where the principal place of
8 business of the party is located; altering a certain provision of law to provide
9 that the proper venue in certain hearings concerning a party who is a
10 nonresident motorist is in the county where the conviction for the party's
11 violation occurred; providing for the application of this Act; and generally
12 relating to the venue for judicial review of Motor Vehicle Administration
13 hearings.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article - Transportation
16 Section 12-209(a)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

21 **Article - Transportation**

22 12-209.

23 (a) Any aggrieved party to a hearing may appeal from a decision or order of
24 the Administration as follows:

25 (1) If the matter concerns the license of [the] A party to drive and the
26 party is a resident of this State, to the circuit court for the county in which the party
27 resides;

1 (2) If the matter concerns any other license or privilege of [the] A party,
2 to the circuit court for the county in which the principal place of business of the party
3 in this State is located;

4 (3) If [the] A party is a nonresident motorist, to the circuit court for the
5 county in which the party was convicted of the violation to which the matter relates;
6 and

7 (4) If not otherwise provided in this section or elsewhere in the Maryland
8 Vehicle Law, to the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be
10 construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect
11 on or application to any action for judicial review filed before the effective date of this
12 Act.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2000.