

HOUSE BILL 896

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2016

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Drivers' Licenses and Identification Cards – Notation of Consent to**
3 **Experimental Emergency Medical Treatment**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to make a certain notation
5 on a driver's license or identification card of an individual who consents to
6 experimental lifesaving emergency medical treatment when the applicant is
7 incapacitated and unable to provide consent; requiring the Administration to provide
8 certain notice concerning removal of the notation; authorizing the Administration to
9 adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to a notation of consent to
10 experimental emergency medical treatment on drivers' licenses and identification
11 cards.

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Transportation
14 Section 12–305
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Transportation**

20 **12–305.**

21 **(A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE FOR A METHOD BY WHICH AN**
22 **INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS WITH THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ELECT TO HAVE A**
23 **NOTATION INCLUDED ON THE APPLICANT'S DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION**
24 **CARD INDICATING THAT THE APPLICANT CONSENTS TO EXPERIMENTAL LIFESAVING**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT IN THE EVENT THE APPLICANT IS
2 INCAPACITATED AND UNABLE TO CONSENT TO THE TREATMENT.

3 (B) A CONSENT TO EXPERIMENTAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT
4 NOTATION ON A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD IS SUFFICIENT LEGAL
5 AUTHORITY FOR A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL TO PROVIDE EXPERIMENTAL
6 LIFESAVING TREATMENT WHEN THE APPLICANT IS INCAPACITATED AND UNABLE TO
7 PROVIDE CONSENT.

8 (C) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL NOTIFY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ELECTS TO
9 HAVE A NOTATION UNDER THIS SECTION INCLUDED ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S DRIVER'S
10 LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT THE NOTATION:

11 (1) WILL REMAIN EFFECTIVE UNTIL THE INDIVIDUAL REQUESTS
12 THAT THE NOTATION BE REMOVED; AND

13 (2) MAY BE REMOVED BY THE INDIVIDUAL BY REQUESTING A
14 REPLACEMENT DRIVER'S LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD:

15 (I) THROUGH THE ADMINISTRATION'S WEB SITE; OR

16 (II) IN PERSON AT ANY FULL-SERVICE ADMINISTRATION
17 OFFICE.

18 (D) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE
19 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 October 1, 2016.