

## Chapter 493

**(Senate Bill 237)**

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Canceled, Revoked, and Suspended Driver’s Licenses – Penalties**

FOR the purpose of altering certain penalties for a person who possesses a canceled, revoked, or suspended driver’s license; and generally relating to penalties for possession of canceled, revoked, or suspended driver’s licenses.

BY renumbering

Article – Transportation

Section 16–402(a)(16) through (42), respectively  
to be Section 16–402(a)(17) through (43), respectively  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–301(h), (i), and (j)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–301(r)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 16–402(a)(16)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–402(a)(36)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)  
(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
That Section(s) 16–402(a)(16) through (42), respectively, of Article – Transportation of the  
Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 16–402(a)(17) through (43),

respectively.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article – Transportation**

16–301.

(h) A person may not possess any canceled license.

(i) A person may not possess any revoked license.

(j) A person may not possess any suspended license.

(r) (1) Except as provided in [paragraph] **PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3)** of this subsection, a person convicted of a violation of this section is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 2 months or a fine not exceeding \$500 or both.

(2) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (a) or (b) of this section is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or a fine not exceeding \$2,500 or both.

**(3) A PERSON CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (H), (I), OR (J) OF THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$500.**

16–402.

(a) After the conviction of an individual for a violation of Title 2, Subtitle 5, § 2–209, § 3–211, or § 10–110 of the Criminal Law Article, or of the vehicle laws or regulations of this State or of any local authority, points shall be assessed against the individual as of the date of violation and as follows:

**(16) A VIOLATION OF § 16–301(H), (I), OR (J) OF THIS TITLE...3 POINTS**

(36) Any violation of [§ 16–301] **§ 16–301(A) THROUGH (G) OR (K) THROUGH (Q)**, § 16–302, § 16–804, or § 16–808(a)(1) through (9) or (b) of this title.....12 points

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019.

**Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2019.**