Chapter 567

(House Bill 206)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Licenses and Permits - Prohibited Acts

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain prohibition relating to licenses to drive and moped operator permits; <u>prohibiting a person from engaging in any fraudulent or dishonest conduct in the examination or testing process for the issuance or renewal of a driver's license or moped operator's permit; and generally relating to licenses to drive and moped operator permits.</u>

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 16–301(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Transportation

Section 16–301(q)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 16–301(r) and 16–402(a)(36)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

16 - 301.

- (a) A person may not knowingly or fraudulently obtain or attempt to obtain a license to drive or a moped operator's permit by misrepresentation.
- (b) A person may not in any application for a license to drive or a moped operator's permit:
 - (1) Use a false or fictitious name;

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- (2) Knowingly make a false statement;
- (3) Knowingly conceal a material fact;
- (4) Use a false, fictitious, or fraudulently altered document; or
- (5) Otherwise commit a fraud.
- ‡(q) A person may not do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required by this title ENGAGE IN ANY FRAUDULENT OR DISHONEST CONDUCT IN THE EXAMINATION OR TESTING PROCESS FOR THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR MOPED OPERATOR'S PERMIT, INCLUDING FOR THE DRIVER SKILLS EXAMINATION, THE DRIVER KNOWLEDGE TEST, OR ANY REQUIRED VISION OR MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.‡
- $\{(r)\}$ (1) Except as provided in 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 (c), (d), (e), (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:
- (36) Any violation of § 16–301(a), (b), (f), (g), or (k) through $\{(q)\}$ (P), § 16–302, § 16–804, or § 16–808(a)(1) through (9) or (b) of this title.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.