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House Bill 1289 (Delegate Arikan, *et al.*)
Environment and Transportation

Vehicle Laws - Learner's Instructional Permits and Identification Cards -
Required Documents

This bill authorizes the parent or guardian of a learner's instructional permit or identification card applicant younger than age 18 to submit documentation in their own name to establish the applicant's State residency. Further, the bill specifies the requirement that a learner's instructional permit applicant younger than age 16 must submit a copy of the applicant's school attendance record applies only to applicants enrolled in a public school.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not materially affect State finances or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law:

Identification Cards

On application, the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) must issue an identification card to any applicant who is a Maryland resident, does not have a driver's license, presents a birth certificate or other acceptable proof of age and identity, and provides satisfactory documentary evidence that the applicant has a valid Social Security number or is not

eligible for a Social Security number. MVA may issue an identification card to an applicant without lawful status under specified circumstances if the applicant would otherwise be eligible for that document.

Learner's Instructional Permits

Each applicant for a learner's instructional permit who is younger than age 16 must present MVA with a copy of the applicant's school attendance record. MVA may not issue a learner's instructional permit to any applicant whose attendance record indicates more than 10 unexcused absences during the prior school semester.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

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