

Chapter 119

**(Senate Bill 218)**

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Driver’s Licenses and Identification Cards – Temporary Renewal**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to issue a temporary renewal for a driver’s license or identification card for a certain amount of time for certain applicants; and generally relating to the temporary renewal of driver’s licenses and identification cards.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 12–301(a) and 16–115(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 12–301(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 16–115(l)

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**

12–301.

(a) On application, the Administration shall issue an identification card to any applicant who:

(1) Is a resident of this State;

(2) Does not have a driver’s license;

(3) Presents a birth certificate or other proof of age and identity acceptable to the Administration;

(4) Provides satisfactory documentary evidence that the applicant has lawful status;

(5) (i) Provides satisfactory documentary evidence that the applicant has a valid Social Security number by presenting the applicant's Social Security Administration account card or, if the Social Security Administration account card is not available, any of the following documents bearing the applicant's Social Security number:

1. A current W-2 form;
2. A current SSA-1099 form;
3. A current non-SSA-1099 form; or
4. A current pay stub with the applicant's name and Social Security number on it; or

(ii) Provides satisfactory documentary evidence that the applicant is not eligible for a Social Security number; and

(6) Presents a completed application for an identification card on a form furnished by the Administration.

(i) (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) [and (3)] **THROUGH (4)** of this subsection, an identification card issued to an applicant expires at the end of a period of not more than 8 years determined in regulations adopted by the Administration.

(2) Before the expiration of an identification card, if an individual does not possess all of the documents required for renewal, the Administration may extend the individual's identification card for a period not to exceed 90 days.

(3) (i) If an applicant has temporary lawful status, the Administration may not issue an identification card to the applicant for a period that extends beyond the expiration date of the applicant's authorized stay in the United States or, if there is no expiration date, for a period longer than 1 year.

(ii) Nothing contained in this paragraph may be construed to allow the issuance of an identification card for a period longer than the period described in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(iii) The Administration shall indicate on the face and in the machine-readable zone of a temporary identification card issued under this paragraph that the card is a temporary identification card.

(4) **(I) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS**

**SECTION, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY RENEWAL FOR AN IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT EXTENDS THE EXPIRATION DATE FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS FOR AN APPLICANT WHO:**

**1. HAS THE DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW, AS ENUMERATED IN SUBSECTION (A)(4) AND (5) OF THIS SECTION, ON FILE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION;**

**2. HAS A PHOTOGRAPH ON FILE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THAT WILL NOT BE 16 YEARS OLD OR OLDER BY THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE TEMPORARY RENEWAL; AND**

**3. HAS AN IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT WAS ISSUED FOR THE FULL TERM UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

**(II) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY MAKE TEMPORARY RENEWAL OF AN IDENTIFICATION CARD AVAILABLE TO:**

**1. AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR A SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT OF THE MEMBER;**

**2. A MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OR A SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT OF THE MEMBER;**

**3. A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO IS A STUDENT STUDYING OUTSIDE THE STATE;**

**4. A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO IS TEMPORARILY RESIDING OUTSIDE THE STATE FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS;**

**5. A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO HOLDS AN IDENTIFICATION CARD THAT WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE EXPIRED DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR; OR**

**6. ANY OTHER RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO MEETS ANY REQUIREMENTS APPROVED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

**(III) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**(5)** An identification card may be renewed on application and payment of the fee required by this section.

16-115.

(a) (1) Subject to paragraph (5) of this subsection, a license issued under this title to a driver at least 21 years old shall expire on the birth date of the licensee at the end of a period of not more than 8 years determined in regulations adopted by the Administration following the issuance of the license.

**(L) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY RENEWAL FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE THAT EXTENDS THE EXPIRATION DATE FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS FOR AN APPLICANT WHO:**

**(I) HAS THE DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW, AS ENUMERATED IN § 16-103.1(10) AND (11) OF THIS SUBTITLE, ON FILE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION;**

**(II) HAS A PHOTOGRAPH ON FILE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THAT WILL NOT BE 16 YEARS OLD OR OLDER BY THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE TEMPORARY RENEWAL; AND**

**(III) HAS A DRIVER'S LICENSE THAT WAS ISSUED FOR THE FULL TERM UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF THIS SECTION.**

**(2) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY MAKE TEMPORARY RENEWAL OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE AVAILABLE TO:**

**(I) AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OR A SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT OF THE MEMBER;**

**(II) A MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OR A SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT OF THE MEMBER;**

**(III) A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO IS A STUDENT STUDYING OUTSIDE THE STATE;**

**(IV) A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO IS TEMPORARILY RESIDING OUTSIDE THE STATE FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS;**

**(V) A RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO HOLDS A DRIVER'S LICENSE THAT WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE EXPIRED DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY THE GOVERNOR; OR**

**(VI) ANY OTHER RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO MEETS ANY**

**REQUIREMENTS APPROVED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.**

**(3) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY NOT ISSUE A TEMPORARY RENEWAL TO AN APPLICANT WHO HOLDS A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE.**

**(4) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBSECTION.**

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

**Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2022.**