
February 11, 2021

The Honorable Dereck E. Davis
Chairman, House Economic Matters Committee
Room 231, House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: *Letter of Information – House Bill 558 – For-Hire Driving and Vehicles - Requirements*

Dear Chairman Davis and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) takes no position on House Bill 558 but offers the following information for the Committee's consideration.

House Bill 558 requires the MDOT Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) to share access to driver license photos of for-hire driver applicants with the Maryland Public Service Commission.

After discussions with the Public Service Commission, in 2019, the MDOT MVA began electronically transmitting photos of for-hire driving applicants directly to the Public Service Commission. MDOT MVA is committed to continuing to provide this service which saves the applicant from having to make a special trip just to get a photo taken.

The Maryland Department of Transportation respectfully requests the Committee consider this information when deliberating House Bill 558.

Respectfully submitted,

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