

CHAPTER 648

(House Bill 1149)

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Drunk and Drugged Driving - Ignition Interlock System Program

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to provide enhanced driver's license suspensions for individuals who are assessed a certain number of points after certain convictions for drunk or drugged driving; authorizing the Administration to establish an Ignition Interlock System Program; providing that an individual whose driver's license has been suspended or revoked for certain drunk and drugged driving offenses may be a participant in the Program; authorizing the Administration to reduce the period of a driver's license suspension ~~imposed on or~~ impose a period of suspension rather than a license revocation for a participant in the Program under certain circumstances; clarifying that this Act does not limit the authority of the Administration to issue a restrictive license or modify a suspension under this Act; authorizing the Administration to reinstate the revoked driver's license of a Program participant under certain circumstances; authorizing the Administration to ~~charge a fee to~~ establish a fee for Program participants; requiring the Administration to provide a certain notice to potential participants; requiring the Administration to approve certain types of ignition interlock systems for the Program; prohibiting the reinstatement of the driver's license of certain habitual offenders who fail to participate in the Program for a certain minimum period; requiring individuals ordered by a court to use an ignition interlock system to comply with certain aspects of the Program ~~and providing that these individuals are not eligible for the reduced suspensions under this Act~~; providing that a court order requiring the use of an ignition interlock system is not affected by certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; establishing the time at which a participant is considered to have entered the Program; and generally relating to the establishment of an Ignition Interlock System Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article - Transportation
 Section 16-208(a)(1) and 16-404
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 Article - Transportation
 Section 16-402(a)(21) and (30)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

BY adding to
 Article - Transportation
 Section 16-404.1