

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administration to waive attendance at certain alcohol education and driver improvement programs if an individual attends certain alternative programs approved by the Administration; requiring the Administration to establish criteria for the approval of certain alternative programs; and generally relating to alternative alcohol education and driver improvement programs.

BY repealing

Article - Transportation

Section 16-212(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Transportation

Section 16-212(f)

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(1987 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

**Article - Transportation**

16-212.

[(f) If an individual attends a private alternative program or an alternative program provided by a political subdivision of this State that is approved by the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Administration, the Administration may waive attendance at a driver improvement program or alcohol education program conducted by the Administration.]

(F) (1) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY WAIVE ATTENDANCE AT AN ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION IF AN INDIVIDUAL ATTENDS A PRIVATE ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM OR AN ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM PROVIDED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

(2) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY WAIVE ATTENDANCE AT A DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION IF AN INDIVIDUAL ATTENDS A PRIVATE DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM OR A DRIVER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROVIDED BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE THAT IS APPROVED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.

(3) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR APPROVING PRIVATE PROVIDERS OF ALCOHOL EDUCATION OR DRIVER