

HOUSES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE SAME SHALL TAKE EFFECT FROM THE DAY OF ITS PASSAGE.

Approved April 11, 1955.

CHAPTER 365

(House Bill 406)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Subsection (4) of Section 22 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1954 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Administration—Registration—Titling", relating to the definition of "disabled veteran" for the purpose of securing an exemption from payment of registration fees.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Subsection (4) of Section 22 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition and 1954 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Administration — Registration — Titling", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

22. (4) All motor vehicles owned and used by the government of the United States, State of Maryland, or any city, town, village or county in this State, and all motor vehicles owned and used for personal or official purposes by accredited consular or diplomatic officers of foreign governments, which officers are nationals of the state by which they are appointed and are not citizens of the United States and by any incorporated volunteer fire company incorporated in this State or rescue squad and used for fire-fighting or ambulance purposes and all motor vehicles owned and used personally by veterans who have either lost or lost the use of one or both legs, ~~or an upper extremity~~ OR AN ARM OR A HAND, or who are blind are hereby exempted from the provisions of this sub-title requiring the payment of registration fees, but all such vehicles shall display identification markers approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, and the identification markers or other insignia on the vehicles of veterans who have either lost or lost the use of one or both legs, ~~or an upper extremity~~ OR AN ARM OR A HAND, shall indicate that they have been so designated or classified by the Veterans' Administration; and for the purposes of this subsection a person shall be considered blind if he has a permanent impairment of both eyes of the following status; central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective glasses, or central visual acuity of more than 20/200 if there is a field defect in which the peripheral field has contracted to such an extent that the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than twenty degrees in the better eye.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.