

FOR the purpose of providing for the issuance of a temporary disabled person's parking permit by the Motor Vehicle Administration; conferring discretionary authority on the Motor Vehicle Administration to determine the eligibility of certain applicants; and altering the expiration procedure for special registration plates for disabled persons; and generally relating to temporary parking permits for handicapped persons.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation
Section 13-616(a)(1) and 13-616.1(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Transportation

13-616.

(a) (1) The owner of any vehicle described in paragraph (2) of this subsection may apply to the Administration for the assignment to that vehicle of a special, disabled persons registration number, if the applicant, a dependent of the applicant, or any individual who depends on the applicant for transportation:

(i) Has permanently lost the use of a leg or an arm;

(ii) Is so severely disabled as to be unable to move without a wheelchair or crutches;

(iii) So suffers from lung disease that his forced expiratory volume, one second, when measured by spirometry, is less than one liter;

(iv) Has a permanent impairment of both eyes so that:

(A) The central visual acuity is 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective glasses; or

(B) 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 20 degrees in the better eye; [or]

(v) Has a physical disability, as certified by a licensed physician and determined by the Administration, which is permanent, which substantially