

State on or after October 1, 1999. Any policy, contract, or health benefit plan in effect before October 1, 1999 shall comply with the provisions of this Act no later than October 1, 1999.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved April 27, 1999.

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**CHAPTER 140**

**(Senate Bill 69)**

AN ACT concerning

**Public Service Commission - For-Hire Drivers' Licenses - Criminal History Records Checks**

FOR the purpose of requiring a passenger-for-hire or taxicab driver's license applicant to follow certain procedures when submitting an application to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services for a State criminal history records check; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository to provide certain criminal history record information to the Public Service Commission and to the applicant or the licensee; providing a process for certain individuals to contest criminal history record information; requiring the Public Service Commission to maintain confidentiality of all criminal records in its possession; clarifying language; allowing the Public Service Commission to use a private agency to provide certain background checks under certain circumstances; clarifying that the Public Service Commission may suspend or revoke a license under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to State criminal history records checks for passenger-for-hire and taxicab driver's license applicants.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Public Utility Companies

Section 10-104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Volume)

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

**Article - Public Utility Companies**

10-104.

(a) (1) An applicant for a for-hire driver's license shall: