

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 Article – Transportation
 Section 13-616(a) and (b)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to
 Article – Transportation
 Section 23-206.2
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland 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 person's registration number and special registration plates, 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 and permanently 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:

1. The central visual acuity is 20/200 or less in the better eye, with corrective glasses; or

2. 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 impairs the person's mobility, and which is so severe that the person would endure a hardship or be subject to a risk of injury if the privileges accorded a person for whom a vehicle is specially registered under this section were denied.

(2) This section applies only to:

(i) A Class A (passenger) vehicle;