

## CHAPTER 482

## (House Bill 1406)

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws - Driver's License Restrictions - Vision Correction**

FOR the purpose of authorizing an individual with a driver's license containing a vision related restriction, and who has had a vision correction surgery enabling the individual to qualify for an unrestricted license, to apply to the Motor Vehicle Administration for a ~~correction card~~ corrected license attachment ~~indicating the removal of the restriction; requiring an individual applying for a certain correction card license attachment to submit to the Administration a report of examination by or to carry, for a certain period, a written certification from a licensed ophthalmologist or optometrist that the individual meets certain vision requirements;~~ and generally relating to vision correction and driver's license restrictions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 16-110.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

**Article - Transportation**

16-110.1.

(a) For an unrestricted license, each applicant is required to have:

(1) Simultaneously:

- (i) A minimum visual acuity of 20/40 in each eye; and
- (ii) A continuous field of vision of at least 140 degrees; and

(2) Binocular vision.

(b) If the applicant's vision can be corrected by glasses or contact lenses to meet the standards of this section, the Administration may issue the applicant a restricted license, endorsed "corrective lenses".

(c) (1) The Administration may issue a restricted license to an applicant who has simultaneously:

- (i) A visual acuity of at least 20/40 in one or both eyes; and
- (ii) A continuous field of vision of at least 110 degrees and with at least 35 degrees lateral to the midline of each side.