

**House Bill No. 6**

AN ACT concerning

**Alcohol- or Drug-Related Offenses - Prohibition on Driving (John's Law)**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person who is arrested for certain alcohol- or drug-related offenses from driving a motor vehicle for a certain period; providing for an assessment of points against an individual and certain penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to a prohibition against driving a motor vehicle for a certain period after an arrest for certain offenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 16-402(a)(24) and 27-101(c)(25) and (26)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - Transportation

Section 21-902.1 and 27-101(c)(26)

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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**

16-402.

(a) After the conviction of an individual for a violation of Title 2, Subtitle 5, § 2-209, or § 3-211 of the Criminal Law Article, or of the vehicle laws or regulations of this State or of any local authority, points shall be assessed against the individual as of the date of violation and as follows:

(24) Driving while impaired by alcohol or while impaired by a drug, combination of drugs, or combination of one or more drugs and alcohol, OR DRIVING WITHIN 12 HOURS AFTER ARREST UNDER § 21-902.1 OF THIS ARTICLE.....8 points  
21-902.1.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "ARRESTEE" MEANS A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR A VIOLATION OF § 21-902 OF THIS SUBTITLE OR TITLE 2, SUBTITLE 5 OR § 3-211 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.

(B) AN ARRESTEE MAY NOT DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHIN 12 HOURS AFTER THE ARRESTEE'S ARREST FOR A VIOLATION OF § 21-902 OF THIS SUBTITLE OR TITLE 2, SUBTITLE 5 OR § 3-211 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.