

**CHAPTER 448**

**(House Bill 117)**

AN ACT concerning

**Driver's License Suspension Modification or Restrictive License -  
Conditions**

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that a licensee be under a certain age to qualify for modification of a driver's license suspension or issuance of a restrictive license under certain circumstances; and generally relating to modification of driver's license suspensions and restrictive licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 16-205.1(n)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

**Article - Transportation**

16-205.1.

(n) (1) The Administration may modify a suspension under this section or issue a restrictive license if:

(i) The licensee did not refuse to take a test;

(ii) The licensee has not had a license suspended under this section during the past 5 years;

(iii) The licensee has not been convicted under § 21-902 of this article during the past 5 years; and

(iv) 1. The licensee is required to drive a motor vehicle in the course of employment;

2. The license is required for the purpose of attending an alcoholic prevention or treatment program; or

3. It finds that the licensee has no alternative means of transportation available to or from the licensee's place of employment and, without the license, the licensee's ability to earn a living would be severely impaired.

(2) In addition to the authority to modify a suspension or issue a restrictive license under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Administration may modify a suspension under this section or issue a restrictive license if:

(i) [The licensee is under the age of 21 years;