

(b) (1) If the Administration refuses to grant or renew a certification under this subtitle, the applicant may request a hearing under Title 12, Subtitle 2 of this article.

(2) The Administration may suspend or revoke a certification under this subtitle only after a hearing under Title 12, Subtitle 2 of this article.

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This subtitle may be cited as the Maryland Driver Education Program Act.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, the Motor Vehicle Administration:

(1) prior to July 1, 1999, after consultation with members of the driver education community and with adequate time for driver schools operating under Title 15, Subtitle 7 of the Transportation Article and driver education programs operated under Title 16, Subtitle 5 of the Transportation Article to offer the required course by that date, shall adopt the driver education curriculum required by Section 1 of this Act;

(2) prior to July 1, 1999, in conjunction with the State Department of Education, shall adopt regulations governing the qualifications of driver instructors under Title 15, Subtitle 8 and Title 16, Subtitle 5 of the Transportation Article;

(3) shall develop a system for adequate monitoring of entities providing driving instruction; and

(4) shall take any other actions necessary for implementation of Section 1 of this Act by July 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding Section 1 of this Act, any individual who has a learner's permit on June 30, 1999 may qualify for a license based on provisions in effect on June 30, 1999 as long as the individual:

(1) obtains a driver's license before the learner's permit expires; or

(2) renews the learner's permit in accordance with Motor Vehicle Administration regulations by the date that the learner's permit would otherwise expire.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding Section 1 of this Act, any individual who has a provisional license on June 30, 1999, is entitled to retain that license and obtain a driver's license based on provisions in effect on June 30, 1999, as long as the individual otherwise is entitled to a driver's license under provisions in effect on that date.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding Section 1 of this Act, the Motor Vehicle Administration may allow any driver's education program that uses simulator training on or before October 1, 1998, to satisfy part of the highway driving instruction requirements under Section 1 of this Act to the extent simulator use is authorized for driver education under regulations of the Motor Vehicle Administration in effect on October 1, 1998.