

# SENATE BILL 359

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By: **Senators Pugh, Benson, Conway, Currie, Forehand, Jones–Rodwell,  
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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – School Vehicle Attendant**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual from serving as a school vehicle  
4 attendant, unless the attendant is a certain employee or a certain individual  
5 assigned or authorized to work with a certain student under certain  
6 circumstances, or has certain authorization, and is in possession of certain  
7 identification; and generally relating to school vehicle attendants.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Transportation  
10 Section 16–816  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2012 Replacement Volume)

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

15 **Article – Transportation**

16 16–816.

17 (a) An individual may not drive a school vehicle on any highway in this State  
18 unless the individual:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (1) Passes an appropriate medical examination; and

2 (2) For driving a school bus, has been issued a commercial driver's  
3 license endorsed school bus.

4 **(B) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT SERVE AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT**  
5 **UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL:**

6 **(1) (I) IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OR**  
7 **TRANSPORTATION COMPANY THAT OPERATES THE SCHOOL VEHICLE;**

8 **(II) IS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL**  
9 **SYSTEM TO ACT AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT FOR A CHILD ON THE**  
10 **SCHOOL VEHICLE; OR**

11 **(III) IS A NURSE, AIDE, OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNED OR**  
12 **AUTHORIZED TO WORK WITH A STUDENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STUDENT'S**  
13 **INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLAN, 504 PLAN, OR OTHER STUDENT-SPECIFIC**  
14 **WRITTEN PLAN; AND**

15 **(2) (I) IS IN POSSESSION OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION THAT**  
16 **IDENTIFIES THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OR TRANSPORTATION COMPANY THAT**  
17 **EMPLOYS THE INDIVIDUAL AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT; OR**

18 **(II) IS IN POSSESSION OF PHOTO IDENTIFICATION OR**  
19 **ANOTHER DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM THAT**  
20 **AUTHORIZES THE INDIVIDUAL TO ACT AS A SCHOOL VEHICLE ATTENDANT FOR A**  
21 **CHILD ON THE SCHOOL VEHICLE.**

22 **[(b)] (C)** With the advice of the State Department of Education, the  
23 Administration may adopt regulations concerning the qualifications of school vehicle  
24 drivers.

25 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect  
26 **October 1, 2013.**