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16-801.

THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MARYLAND COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT.

16-802.

(A) THE PURPOSE OF THIS SUBTITLE IS TO IMPLEMENT THE FEDERAL COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY ACT OF 1986 (TITLE XII OF PUBLIC LAW 99-570) AND REDUCE OR PREVENT HEAVY AND COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, FATALITIES, AND INJURIES BY:

(1) DISQUALIFYING DRIVERS FOR CERTAIN CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND SERIOUS TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; AND

(2) STRENGTHENING LICENSING AND TESTING STANDARDS.

(B) THIS SUBTITLE IS A REMEDIAL LAW AND SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO PROMOTE THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE.

(C) TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS SUBTITLE CONFLICTS WITH OTHER SUBTITLES OF THIS TITLE, THIS SUBTITLE PREVAILS.

(D) WHERE THIS SUBTITLE IS SILENT, THE PROVISIONS OF THE MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW APPLY.

16-803.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "COMMERCE" MEANS:

(1) TRADE, TRAFFIC, AND TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES BETWEEN A PLACE IN A STATE AND A PLACE OUTSIDE OF THE STATE, INCLUDING A PLACE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES; AND

(2) TRADE, TRAFFIC, AND TRANSPORTATION IN THE UNITED STATES WHICH AFFECTS ANY TRADE, TRAFFIC, AND TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES BETWEEN A PLACE IN A STATE AND A PLACE OUTSIDE OF THE STATE, INCLUDING A PLACE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.

(C) "CONVICTION" MEANS AN A FINAL UNVACATED ADJUDICATION OF GUILT, OR A DETERMINATION THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS VIOLATED OR FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE LAW IN A COURT OF ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OR BY AN AUTHORIZED ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, AN UNVACATED FORFEITURE OF BAIL OR COLLATERAL DEPOSITED TO SECURE THE PERSON'S APPEARANCE IN COURT, A PLEA OF GUILTY OR NOLO CONTENDERE ACCEPTED BY THE COURT, THE PAYMENT OF A FINE OR COURT COST, OR VIOLATION OF A CONDITION OF RELEASE WITHOUT BAIL, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE PENALTY IS REBATED, SUSPENDED, OR PROBATED.