

Committee on Transportation

CS/HB 965 — Driver License, Identification Card, and Motor Vehicle Registration Applications

by Infrastructure Strategies Committee and Reps. Gottlieb, Arrington, and others (CS/SB 996 by Transportation Committee and Senator Berman)

The bill makes the following changes relating to motor vehicles:

- Requires an option to make a voluntary contribution of \$1 to Best Buddies International be included on the application and renewal forms of a motor vehicle registration, driver license, and identification card.
- Exempts motor vehicle dealers from air pollution control equipment certification requirements if the motor vehicle purchaser is the current lessee of the motor vehicle and the motor vehicle is not in the possession of the dealer at the time of sale.
- Authorizes law enforcement agencies to release crash reports to other law enforcement agencies and their contracted service providers.
- Codifies in statute the number of vehicles that constitute a fleet for registration purposes, as a minimum of 100 motor vehicles or a minimum of 25 trailers or semitrailers.
- Defines the terms “control” and “motor vehicle dealer’s leasing or rental affiliate” for purposes of provisions relating to immunity from vicarious liability of a motor vehicle dealer, or of a motor vehicle dealer’s leasing or rental affiliate, who provides a temporary replacement vehicle to a service customer.
- Removes requirements that certain insurance coverage be noncancelable following reinstatement of a driver license.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor’s signature, these provisions take effect October 1, 2023.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 115-0