

# HOUSE BILL 201

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Commercial Driver's Licenses – Knowledge Test – English and Spanish**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the commercial driver's license knowledge test to be offered  
4 in English and Spanish; and generally relating to qualifications for a commercial  
5 driver's license.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

7 Article – Transportation

8 Section 16–807(b)

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Transportation**

14 16–807.

15 (b) (1) Except as provided in § 16–807.1 of this subtitle, an individual may not  
16 be issued a commercial driver's license until the individual has passed the knowledge and  
17 skill tests for driving a commercial motor vehicle which complies with the minimum federal  
18 standards established by the federal Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986 (Title  
19 XII of Public Law 99–570), and has satisfied all other requirements of that act as well as  
20 any other requirements of this title.

21 (2) The tests shall be prescribed and conducted at the direction of the  
22 Administration.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (3)     The Administration shall adopt regulations to waive the skill test  
2 required under paragraph (1) of this subsection in a manner consistent with 49 C.F.R. §  
3 383.77.

4                   **(4)     THE KNOWLEDGE TEST FOR DRIVING A COMMERCIAL MOTOR**  
5 **VEHICLE SHALL BE OFFERED IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH.**

6                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 October 1, 2024.