

SENATE BILL 264

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By: **Senator Lee**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **General Provisions – Age of Majority – Right to Parental Support and**
3 **Maintenance**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that a certain individual who is continuously enrolled in a
5 certain school or training program has the right to receive parental support and
6 maintenance until a certain occurrence or until the individual attains a certain age;
7 and generally relating to the right to receive parental support and maintenance.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

9 Article – General Provisions

10 Section 1–401

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2014 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – General Provisions**

16 1–401.

17 (a) (1) The age of majority is 18 years.

18 (2) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section or as otherwise
19 specifically provided by statute, an individual at least 18 years old is an adult for all
20 purposes and has the same legal capacity, rights, powers, privileges, duties, liabilities, and
21 responsibilities that an individual at least 21 years old had before July 1, 1973.

22 (b) An individual who has attained the age of 18 years and who is
23 **CONTINUOUSLY** enrolled in [secondary] school, **INCLUDING A SECONDARY SCHOOL,**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL, OR VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM**, has the right to
2 receive support and maintenance from both of the individual's parents until the first to
3 occur of the following events:

4 (1) the individual dies;

5 (2) the individual marries;

6 (3) the individual is emancipated;

7 (4) the individual [graduates from or] is no longer **CONTINUOUSLY**
8 enrolled in [secondary] school, **INCLUDING A SECONDARY SCHOOL, POSTSECONDARY**
9 **SCHOOL, OR VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM**; or

10 (5) the individual attains the age of [19] **21** years.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2019.