

HOUSE BILL 946

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By: **Delegate Wilson**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2025

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicle Administration – Breathalyzer Technology – Uniform Standards**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to adopt regulations
4 establishing uniform standards for breathalyzer technology in the State; requiring
5 all breathalyzers used in the State on or after a certain date to comply with the
6 uniform standards; and generally relating to breathalyzer technology.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Transportation

9 Section 12–121

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Transportation**

15 **12–121.**

16 **(A) (1) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS**
17 **ESTABLISHING UNIFORM STANDARDS FOR BREATHALYZER TECHNOLOGY USED IN**
18 **THE STATE.**

19 **(2) THE UNIFORM STANDARDS SHALL ENSURE THAT BREATHALYZER**
20 **TESTS ADMINISTERED IN THE STATE PROVIDE CONSISTENT, CLEAR, AND RELIABLE**
21 **MEASUREMENTS.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) ALL BREATHALYZERS USED IN THE STATE ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1,**
2 **2026, SHALL COMPLY WITH THE UNIFORM STANDARDS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS**
3 **SECTION.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2025.