

# HOUSE BILL 128

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By: **Delegates Afzali, Cluster, and Folden**

Introduced and read first time: January 26, 2015

Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Law – Crimes Against Property – Trespass to a Vehicle**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from knowingly entering a vehicle, or any part of  
4 a vehicle, without authorization from the owner or rightful occupant of the vehicle;  
5 establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to  
6 trespass to a vehicle.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Criminal Law

9 Section 6–411

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Criminal Law**

15 **6–411.**

16 **(A) A PERSON MAY NOT KNOWINGLY ENTER THE VEHICLE, OR ANY PART OF**  
17 **THE VEHICLE, OF ANOTHER WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM THE OWNER OR**  
18 **RIGHTFUL OCCUPANT OF THE VEHICLE.**

19 **(B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR**  
20 **AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO:**

21 **(1) FOR A FIRST VIOLATION, IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 90**  
22 **DAYS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$500 OR BOTH;**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   **(2) FOR A SECOND VIOLATION OCCURRING WITHIN 2 YEARS AFTER**  
2 **THE FIRST VIOLATION, IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR A FINE NOT**  
3 **EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH; AND**

4                   **(3) FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION OCCURRING WITHIN 2 YEARS**  
5 **AFTER THE PRECEDING VIOLATION, IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR A**  
6 **FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$2,500 OR BOTH.**

7           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
8 October 1, 2015.