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**By: Chairman, Commerce and Government Matters Committee (Departmental -  
Transportation)**

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 1997

Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority - Unattended Vehicles**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Transportation Authority to adopt  
4 regulations governing the removal of unattended vehicles from any vehicular  
5 crossing or highway within the jurisdiction of the Authority; providing that certain  
6 provisions relating to unattended vehicles within the jurisdiction of the Authority  
7 apply to highways; and providing for the application of certain regulations.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Transportation  
10 Section 21-1407  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Transportation**

16 21-1407.

17 (A) The driver of a vehicle may not stop, stand, or park the vehicle on any  
18 vehicular crossing, OR HIGHWAY, except:

19 (1) If necessary to avoid injury or damage to any person or property;

20 (2) In compliance with the lawful direction of an authorized employee of the  
21 vehicular crossing;

22 (3) At a designated area for the transaction of business at an administration  
23 building; or

24 (4) If the vehicle is disabled or involved in an accident, in which case the  
25 vehicle shall be moved, if possible:

26 (i) To the shoulder of the roadway;

27 (ii) Adjacent to the emergency walkway on a bridge; or

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1 (iii) As otherwise directed by a patrol officer.

2 (B) (1) THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY MAY ADOPT  
3 REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE REMOVAL OF VEHICLES LEFT UNATTENDED ON  
4 ANY VEHICULAR CROSSING OR HIGHWAY UNDER ITS JURISDICTION.

5 (2) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS  
6 SUBSECTION SHALL PREVAIL OVER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 25, SUBTITLE 2 OF  
7 THIS ARTICLE.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
9 October 1, 1997.