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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Vehicle Laws - Aggressive Driving - Violation and Penalties

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the offense of aggressive driving; requiring the Motor
4 Vehicle Administration to assess a certain number of points against an individual
5 convicted of aggressive driving; providing certain other penalties that may be
6 imposed on conviction for aggressive driving; making stylistic changes; and generally
7 relating to aggressive driving.

8 BY renumbering

9 Article - Transportation

10 Section 16-402(a)(12) through (33) and 27-101(c)(23) through (26), respectively

11 to be Section 16-402(a)(13) through (34) and 27-101(c)(24) through (27),

12 respectively

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

15 BY adding to

16 Article - Transportation

17 Section 16-402(a)(12) and 27-101(c)(23)

18 Annotated Code of Maryland

19 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

21 Article - Transportation

22 Section 21-901.1

23 Annotated Code of Maryland

24 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

25 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

26 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 16-402(a)(12) through (33) and 27-101(c)(23) through

27 (26), respectively, of Article - Transportation of the Annotated Code of Maryland be

28 renumbered to be Section(s) 16-402(a)(13) through (34) and 27-101(c)(24) through (27),

29 respectively.

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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
2 read as follows:

3 **Article - Transportation**

4 16-402.

5 (a) After the conviction of an individual for a violation of Article 27, § 388, §
6 388A, or § 388C of the Code, or of the vehicle laws or regulations of this State or of any
7 local authority, points shall be assessed against the individual as of the date of violation
8 and as follows:

9 (12) AGGRESSIVE DRIVING..... 5 POINTS

10 21-901.1.

11 (a) AN INDIVIDUAL IS GUILTY OF AGGRESSIVE DRIVING IF THE INDIVIDUAL
12 DRIVES A MOTOR VEHICLE IN A BELLIGERENT, CONTENTIOUS, OR ANTAGONISTIC
13 MANNER THAT ENDANGERS THE SAFETY OF PERSONS OR PROPERTY.

14 (B) [A person] AN INDIVIDUAL is guilty of reckless driving if [he] THE
15 INDIVIDUAL drives a motor vehicle:

16 (1) In wanton or willful disregard for the safety of persons or property; or

17 (2) In a manner that indicates a wanton or willful disregard for the safety of
18 persons or property.

19 [(b)] (C) [A person] AN INDIVIDUAL is guilty of negligent driving if [he] THE
20 INDIVIDUAL drives a motor vehicle in a careless or imprudent manner that endangers
21 any property or the life or person of any individual.

22 27-101.

23 (c) Any person who is convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of the
24 following sections of this article is subject to a fine of not more than \$500 or
25 imprisonment for not more than 2 months or both:

26 (23) § 21-901.1(A) ("AGGRESSIVE DRIVING");

27 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 October 1, 1997.