
By: **Delegate Dembrow**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws - Aggressive Driving**

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 a person
5 convicted of aggressive driving; providing for a certain penalty; making stylistic
6 changes; and generally relating to establishing the offense of aggressive driving.

7 BY renumbering
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 16-402(a)(2) through (35), respectively
10 to be Section 16-402(a)(3) through (36), respectively
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Transportation
15 Section 16-402(a)(2)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
19 Article - Transportation
20 Section 21-901.1
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

23 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
24 Article - Transportation
25 Section 27-101(b)
26 Annotated Code of Maryland
27 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 16-402(a)(2) through (35), respectively, of Article -
3 Transportation of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)
4 16-402(a)(3) through (36), respectively.

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

7 **Article - Transportation**

8 16-402.

9 (a) After the conviction of an individual for a violation of Article 27, § 388, §
10 388A, or § 388B of the Code, or of the vehicle laws or regulations of this State or of any
11 local authority, points shall be assessed against the individual as of the date of
12 violation and as follows:

13 (2) AGGRESSIVE DRIVING 2 POINTS

14 21-901.1.

15 (a) A person is guilty of reckless driving if [he] THE PERSON drives a motor
16 vehicle:

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

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

20 (B) A PERSON IS GUILTY OF AGGRESSIVE DRIVING IF THE PERSON DRIVES A
21 MOTOR VEHICLE IN A DELIBERATELY DISCOURTEOUS, INTOLERANT, AND
22 IMPATIENT MANNER THAT EVIDENCES A PATTERN OF DANGEROUS CONDUCT
23 CONTRIBUTING TO THE LIKELIHOOD OF A COLLISION OR NECESSITATING EVASIVE
24 ACTION BY ANOTHER DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE TO AVOID A COLLISION.

25 [(b)] (C) A person is guilty of negligent driving if [he] THE PERSON drives a
26 motor vehicle in a careless or imprudent manner that endangers any property or the
27 life or person of any individual.

28 27-101.

29 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person convicted of a
30 misdemeanor for the violation of any of the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law is
31 subject to a fine of not more than \$500.

32 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
33 October 1, 1998.