

# HOUSE BILL 354

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HB 1042/09 – JUD

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CF 0lr2305

By: **Delegates Ivey, Anderson, Barnes, Barve, Conaway, Dumais, Kramer, Lee,  
Ramirez, Rosenberg, Simmons, Valderrama, Vallario, and Walker**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Possession of Ammunition for Firearms – Penalties**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from possessing ammunition for a firearm if  
4 the person previously was convicted of certain crimes; providing penalties for a  
5 violation of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the  
6 possession of ammunition for firearms.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Criminal Law

9 Section 4–110

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2002 Volume and 2009 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

13 Article – Criminal Law

14 Section 5–622(a)

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2002 Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Criminal Law**

20 **4–110.**

21 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE**  
22 **MEANINGS INDICATED.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(2) “CRIME OF VIOLENCE” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5-101**  
2 **OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE.**

3           **(3) “FIREARM” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5-622 OF THIS**  
4 **ARTICLE.**

5           **(B) A PERSON MAY NOT POSSESS AMMUNITION FOR A FIREARM IF THE**  
6 **PERSON PREVIOUSLY WAS CONVICTED OF:**

7           **(1) A CRIME OF VIOLENCE; OR**

8           **(2) A VIOLATION OF § 5-602, § 5-603, § 5-604, § 5-605, § 5-606, §**  
9 **5-612, § 5-613, OR § 5-614 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

10           **(C) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A**  
11 **MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT**  
12 **MORE THAN 1 YEAR OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR BOTH.**

13 5-622.

14           (a) In this section, “firearm” includes:

15           (1) a handgun, antique firearm, rifle, shotgun, short-barreled  
16 shotgun, and short-barreled rifle, as those words are defined in § 4-201 of this article;

17           (2) a machine gun, as defined in § 4-401 of this article; and

18           (3) a regulated firearm, as defined in § 5-101 of the Public Safety  
19 Article.

20           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 October 1, 2010.