

Chapter 541

(Senate Bill 353)

AN ACT concerning

~~Motor Vehicles – Operation of Golf Carts on State Highways~~ Vehicle Laws – Golf Carts – City of Crisfield

FOR the purpose of ~~authorizing a person to operate a golf cart on a highway that is designated or maintained as a part or an extension of the State highway system in the City of Crisfield under certain circumstances; making a conforming change repealing a prohibition against operating golf carts on certain highways in the City of Crisfield in Somerset County; repealing the authority of the State Highway Administration to designate a location for golf carts to cross certain highways in the City of Crisfield; lowering the maximum speed limit for a highway on which a person may operate a golf cart in the City of Crisfield;~~ and generally relating to the operation of golf carts in the City of Crisfield.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 13–402(a)(1) and (c)(12)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 21–104.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

~~13–402.~~

~~(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section or elsewhere in the Maryland Vehicle Law, each motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer driven on a highway shall be registered under this subtitle.~~

~~(e) Registration under this subtitle is not required for:~~

~~(12) A golf cart that is operated on a highway in the City of Crisfield, Somerset County, in accordance with § 21–104.2 of this article;~~

21-104.2.

~~(a)~~ A person who operates a golf cart on a highway in the City of Crisfield, Somerset County, without registration as authorized under § 13-402(c)(12) of this article:

(1) May operate the golf cart only:

(i) On a highway~~;~~

~~1. That is not designated or maintained as a part or an extension of the [State or] federal highway system; and~~

~~2. On~~ ON which the maximum posted speed limit does not exceed ~~35~~ 30 miles per hour;

(ii) Between dawn and dusk; and

(iii) If the golf cart is equipped with lighting devices as required by the Administration;

(2) Shall keep the golf cart as far to the right of the roadway as feasible; and

(3) Shall possess a valid driver's license.

~~(b) The State Highway Administration, in consultation with the City of Crisfield, may designate a location in the City of Crisfield where a person operating a golf cart may cross, at a right angle, a highway that is designated or maintained as a part or an extension of the [State or] federal highway system.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ June 1, 2018.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2018.