

SENATE BILL 353

R4, R5

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By: **Senator Mathias**

Introduced and read first time: January 24, 2018

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicles – Operation of Golf Carts on State Highways – City of Crisfield**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person to operate a golf cart on a highway that is
4 designated or maintained as a part or an extension of the State highway system in
5 the City of Crisfield under certain circumstances; making a conforming change; and
6 generally relating to the operation of golf carts in the City of Crisfield.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Transportation
9 Section 13–402(a)(1) and (c)(12)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Transportation
14 Section 21–104.2
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

20 13–402.

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

24 (c) Registration under this subtitle is not required for:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

3 21–104.2.

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

6 (1) May operate the golf cart only:

7 (i) On a highway:

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

10 2. On which the maximum posted speed limit does not exceed
11 35 miles per hour;

12 (ii) Between dawn and dusk; and

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

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

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

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

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