

SENATE BILL 1193

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By: **Senator Klausmeier**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Yielding the Right-of-Way – Through Highways, Stop Signs, and**
3 **Yield Signs**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law governing the duty of the driver of
5 a vehicle to yield the right-of-way at a highway that intersects with a through
6 highway or at a stop sign or yield sign placed at an intersection; making a conforming
7 change; and generally relating to yielding the right-of-way at through highways,
8 stop signs, and yield signs.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Transportation
11 Section 11–101, 11–167, and 21–201(a)(1)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

14 BY repealing
15 Article – Transportation
16 Section 21–403
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
20 Article – Transportation
21 Section 21–901.2
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Transportation**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 11-101.

2 In the Maryland Vehicle Law, the following words have the meanings indicated,
3 unless the context requires otherwise.

4 11-167.

5 "Traffic control device" means any sign, signal, marking, or device that:

6 (1) Is not inconsistent with the Maryland Vehicle Law; and

7 (2) Is placed by authority of an authorized public body or official to
8 regulate, warn, or guide traffic.

9 21-201.

10 (a) (1) Subject to the exceptions granted in this title to the driver of an
11 emergency vehicle, the driver of any vehicle, unless otherwise directed by a police officer,
12 shall obey the instructions of any traffic control device applicable to the vehicle and placed
13 in accordance with the Maryland Vehicle Law.

14 [21-403.

15 (a) Preferential right-of-way at an intersection may be indicated by stop signs or
16 yield signs placed in accordance with the Maryland Vehicle Law.

17 (b) If the driver of a vehicle approaches a through highway, the driver shall:

18 (1) Stop at the entrance to the through highway; and

19 (2) Yield the right-of-way to any other vehicle approaching on the through
20 highway.

21 (c) If a stop sign is placed at the entrance to an intersecting highway, even if the
22 intersecting highway is not part of a through highway, the driver of a vehicle approaching
23 the intersecting highway shall:

24 (1) Stop in obedience to the stop sign; and

25 (2) Yield the right-of-way to any other vehicle approaching on the
26 intersecting highway.

27 (d) If a "yield" sign facing the driver of a vehicle is placed on the approach to an
28 intersection, the driver shall:

29 (1) Approach the intersection with caution;

1 (2) Yield the right-of-way to any other vehicle approaching on the other
2 highway; and

3 (3) If necessary, stop in order to yield this right-of-way.]

4 21-901.2.

5 A person is guilty of aggressive driving if the person commits three or more of the
6 following offenses at the same time or during a single and continuous period of driving in
7 violation of:

8 (1) § 21-202 of this title (Traffic lights with steady indication);

9 (2) § 21-303 of this title (Overtaking and passing vehicles);

10 (3) § 21-304 of this title (Passing on right);

11 (4) § 21-309 of this title (Driving on laned roadways);

12 (5) § 21-310 of this title (Following too closely); **OR**

13 (6) [§ 21-403 of this title (Failure to yield right-of-way); or

14 (7)] § 21-801.1 of this title (Exceeding a maximum speed limit or posted
15 maximum speed limit).

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