A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Crime of Violence – Definition

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “crime of violence”; and generally relating to crimes of violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law
Section 14–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

Article – Criminal Law

14–101.

(a) In this section, “crime of violence” means:

(1) abduction;

(2) arson in the first degree;

(3) kidnapping;

(4) manslaughter, except involuntary manslaughter;

(5) mayhem;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
(6) maiming, as previously proscribed under former Article 27, §§ 385 and 386 of the Code;

(7) murder;

(8) rape;

(9) robbery under § 3–402 or § 3–403 of this article;

(10) carjacking;

(11) armed carjacking;

(12) sexual offense in the first degree;

(13) sexual offense in the second degree;

(14) use of a firearm in the commission of a felony [except possession with intent to distribute a controlled dangerous substance under § 5–602(2) of this article,] or other crime of violence;

(15) child abuse in the first degree under § 3–601 of this article;

(16) sexual abuse of a minor under § 3–602 of this article if:

   (i) the victim is under the age of 13 years and the offender is an adult at the time of the offense; and

   (ii) the offense involved:

       1. vaginal intercourse, as defined in § 3–301 of this article;

       2. a sexual act, as defined in § 3–301 of this article;

       3. an act in which a part of the offender’s body penetrates, however slightly, into the victim’s genital opening or anus; or

       4. the intentional touching of the victim’s or the offender’s genital, anal, or other intimate area for sexual arousal, gratification, or abuse;

(17) home invasion under § 6–202(b) of this article;

(18) a felony offense under Title 3, Subtitle 11 of this article;

(19) an attempt to commit any of the crimes described in items (1) through (18) of this subsection;
continuing course of conduct with a child under § 3–315 of this article;
assault in the first degree;
assault with intent to murder;
assault with intent to rape;
assault with intent to rob;
assault with intent to commit a sexual offense in the first degree; and
assault with intent to commit a sexual offense in the second degree.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2020.