

(2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 3-405, 7-206.2, 7-213, 10-112, 10-114, and 10-117

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

Article - Public Safety

5-405.

(a) The Board shall:

(1) compile and maintain a handgun roster of authorized handguns that are useful for legitimate sporting, self-protection, or law enforcement purposes;

(2) [semiannually] ANNUALLY publish the handgun roster in the Maryland Register; and

(3) semiannually send a copy of the handgun roster to all persons who hold a State regulated firearm dealer's license under Subtitle 1 of this title.

(b) The Board shall consider carefully each of the following characteristics of a handgun without placing undue weight on any one characteristic in determining whether any handgun should be placed on the handgun roster:

(1) concealability;

(2) ballistic accuracy;

(3) weight;

(4) quality of materials;

(5) quality of manufacture;

(6) reliability as to safety;

(7) caliber;

(8) detectability by the standard security equipment that is commonly used at an airport or courthouse and that is approved by the Federal Aviation Administration for use at airports in the United States; and

(9) utility for legitimate sporting activities, self-protection, or law enforcement.

(c) (1) The Board may place a handgun on the handgun roster on its own initiative.