

This bill would require operators of automated teller machines (ATMs) to adopt procedures for evaluating the safety of existing and to-be-installed ATMs and related parking areas, including consideration of lighting conditions and natural or man-made obstructions as specified in this bill.

House Bill 573, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 26, 1994, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 365.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

Senate Bill No. 365

AN ACT concerning

Financial Institutions – Automated Teller Machines

FOR the purpose of establishing procedures for evaluating the safety of the location of certain automated teller machines; establishing requirements for the lighting of certain automated teller machines at night; establishing requirements for safety information to be provided to customers who use automated teller machines at night; ~~providing that compliance with the requirements of this Act creates a rebuttable presumption that an automated teller machine was operated appropriately and that adequate measures for the safety of customers were provided;~~ providing that this Act preempts local law governing customer safety at automated teller machines; defining certain terms; providing for the applicability of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the operation of automated teller machines.

BY adding to

Article – Financial Institutions

Section 1-206

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

Article – Financial Institutions

1-206.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) (I) "ACCESS AREA" MEANS ANY PAVED WALKWAY OR SIDEWALK WHICH IS WITHIN 50 FEET OF AN AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE.