

accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1407.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 1407

AN ACT concerning

Scooters and In-Line Roller Skates - Protective Helmets and Headgear

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual under a certain age from riding in certain places on a motorized or nonmotorized scooter ~~certain scooters or in-line skates~~ unless the individual wears a helmet ~~or protective headgear~~ that meets or exceeds certain standards; providing for the issuance of a certain warning; ~~requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to conduct a certain study and report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining the term "scooter"; and generally relating to the operation of motorized and nonmotorized scooters or in-line skates.~~

BY adding to:

Article - Transportation

Section 11-154.1 and ~~16-104.3~~ 21-1207.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

11-154.1.

"SCOOTER" MEANS A TWO-WHEELED VEHICLE THAT:

- (1) HAS HANDLEBARS; AND
- (2) IS DESIGNED TO BE STOOD ON BY THE OPERATOR; AND
- (3) ~~(I) IS POWERED BY A MOTOR; OR~~
- ~~(II) IS NOT MOTORIZED.~~

~~16-104.3. 21-1207.2.~~

(A) ~~(A) AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS MAY NOT RIDE ON A SCOOTER OR ON IN-LINE SKATES ON ANY HIGHWAY, ANY BICYCLE WAY, SIDEWALK, OR OTHER PROPERTY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC OR USED BY THE PUBLIC FOR PEDESTRIAN OR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC IN THE STATE UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL WEARS IS WEARING A HELMET OR PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR THAT MEETS OR~~