FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person without lawful authority from possessing certain devices that are capable of transmitting certain signals to a traffic control signal for the purpose of altering or interfering with the operation of the traffic control signal; and generally relating to prohibiting the possession of devices that alter or interfere with traffic control signals.

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a person without lawful authority may not interfere with the operation of a traffic control device or a railroad sign or signal; prohibiting a person without lawful authority from possessing, with an intent to use, certain devices capable of transmitting certain signals for the purpose of altering or interfering with the operation of a traffic control device or a railroad sign or signal; providing for a certain penalty; and generally relating to prohibiting a person from interfering with the operation of a traffic control device or a railroad sign or signal or possessing, with an intent to use, certain devices under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 21-206(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Transportation

Section 21-206(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 27-101(c)(20)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

21-206.

- (a) A person without lawful authority may not willfully alter, <u>OR INTERFERE</u> <u>WITH THE OPERATION OF</u>, any traffic control device or any railroad sign or signal, including any inscription, shield, or insignia on it.
- (b) A person without lawful authority may not willfully deface any traffic control device or any railroad sign or signal, including any inscription, shield, or insignia on it.