

# 1992 LAWS OF MARYLAND

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MARYLAND, Sct.:

At a Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, begun and held in the City of Annapolis on the Eighth Day of January, 1992, and Ending on the Tenth Day of April, 1992, having been extended past the Ninetieth Day, the Sixth Day of April, 1992, William Donald Schaefer, being Governor of the State, the following laws were enacted. to wit:

## CHAPTER 1

(House Bill 377)

AN ACT concerning

### Vehicle Laws – Motorcycle Helmets

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual, regardless of the individual's age, from operating or riding on a motorcycle unless the individual is wearing certain protective headgear; establishing that failure to wear protective headgear in violation of this Act may not be considered evidence of negligence or contributory negligence, limit certain liability, or diminish recovery for certain damages; prohibiting certain persons from making reference to protective headgear during certain trials; clarifying language; requiring a court to order separate trials for joint tort-feasors or defendants in a civil action under certain circumstances; and generally relating to a prohibition against operating or riding on a motorcycle without certain headgear.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 21-1306(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 21-1306(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics denote opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*