

Section 21-502(a) (2) and 27-101(c)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (As enacted by Chapter 14,
 Acts of the General Assembly of 1977)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The General Assembly finds that:

1. The Maryland Vehicle Law presently sets forth rules of the road with regard to the movement of pedestrians, in close conformity with the Uniform Vehicle Code;

2. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the adopted State standard for the application and use of traffic control devices, contains several recommended designs for marking pedestrian crosswalks;

3. Standards have not been adopted for use by State and local agencies responsible for crosswalk installations in the selection of crosswalk designs for various locations;

4. A need exists for uniformity in the type of pedestrian crosswalks that are utilized at certain locations depending upon conditions; and

5. Legislative action is desirable to establish uniform criteria for pedestrian crosswalk markings and to direct the State Highway Administration and all affected agencies to review the pedestrian crosswalk problem in this State and develop a comprehensive program for its improvement; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 21-101(f) of Article - Transportation, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (As enacted by Chapter 14, Acts of the General Assembly of 1977) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Transportation

21-101.

(f) "Crosswalk" means:

(1) ANY MARKED CROSSWALK, AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION; OR

[(1)](2) That part of a roadway that is within the prolongation or connection of the lateral lines of sidewalks at intersections, measured from the curbs or, in the absence of curbs, from the edges of the roadway; and