

Article - Transportation
Section 21-405
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

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(a) On the immediate approach of an emergency vehicle using audible and visual signals that meet the requirements of § 22-218 of this article or of a police vehicle lawfully using an audible signal, the driver of every other MOTOR vehicle, unless otherwise directed by a police officer, shall:

(1) Yield the right-of-way;

(2) Drive immediately to a position parallel to and as close as possible to the edge or curb of the roadway, clear of any intersection; and

(3) Stop and stay in this position until the emergency vehicle has passed.

(B) A DRIVER, WHEN PROCEEDING IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS AN EMERGENCY OR POLICE VEHICLE, MAY NOT PASS AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE USING AUDIBLE AND VISUAL SIGNALS THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 22-218 OF THIS ARTICLE OR A POLICE VEHICLE LAWFULLY USING AN AUDIBLE SIGNAL UNLESS:

(1) THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE HAS STOPPED; OR

(2) OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY A POLICE OFFICER.

[(b)] (C) This section does not relieve the driver of an emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 27, 1980.

CHAPTER 826

(Senate Bill 331)