

CHAPTER 300

(Senate Bill 842)

AN ACT concerning

Multipurpose Passenger Vehicles

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "multipurpose passenger vehicle" so that a vehicle with 3 wheels-- or a vehicle of a unique design--~~or a vehicle~~ that does not meet the requirements of another vehicle class is a multipurpose passenger vehicle; providing that certain vehicles designated by the Motor Vehicle Administrator shall meet certain head lamp requirements; and altering the definition of "motorcycle" to provide that a vehicle with 3 wheels is not a motorcycle.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation  
Section 11-136 ~~and--11-136-1~~, 11-136.1, 22-203, and 22-224.1  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1977 Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

11-136.

(a) "Motorcycle" means a motor vehicle that:

- (1) Has two [or three] wheels;
- (2) Has a motor with a rating of more than 1.5 brake horsepower and a capacity of more than 50 cubic centimeters piston displacement;
- (3) Has a singular front steering road wheel mounted in a fork assembly that passes through a frame steering bearing and to which is attached a handlebar or other directly operated steering device;
- (4) Has a seat that is straddled by the driver;  
and
- (5) Except for a windshield or windscreen, does not have any enclosure or provision for an enclosure for the driver or any passenger.