

HOUSE BILL 1207

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Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2019
Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Vehicle Laws – Mobile Carrying Device – Definition**

3 FOR the purpose of defining “mobile carrying device” for purposes of the Maryland Vehicle
4 Law; altering a certain definition to specify that a mobile carrying device is not a
5 vehicle for purposes of the Maryland Vehicle Law; and generally relating to mobile
6 carrying devices.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Transportation

9 Section 11–133.1

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Transportation

14 Section 11–176

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Transportation**

20 **11–133.1.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **“MOBILE CARRYING DEVICE” MEANS AN ELECTRICALLY POWERED DEVICE**
2 **THAT IS EQUIPPED WITH TECHNOLOGY TO TRANSPORT PERSONAL PROPERTY WITH**
3 **THE ACTIVE MONITORING OF THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AND THAT:**

4 **(1) IS DESIGNED TO REMAIN WITHIN 25 FEET OF THE OWNER OF THE**
5 **PROPERTY;**

6 **(2) IS OPERATED ON A SIDEWALK, A CROSSWALK, OR ANY OTHER**
7 **PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY;**

8 **(3) WEIGHS LESS THAN 90 POUNDS, EXCLUDING CARGO; AND**

9 **(4) HAS A MAXIMUM SPEED CAPABILITY NOT EXCEEDING 12.5 MILES**
10 **PER HOUR.**

11 11–176.

12 (a) (1) “Vehicle” means, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any
13 device in, on, or by which any individual or property is or might be transported or towed on
14 a highway.

15 (2) “Vehicle” includes a low speed vehicle and an off–highway recreational
16 vehicle.

17 (b) “Vehicle” does not include [an]:

18 **(1) AN electric personal assistive mobility device as defined in §**
19 **21–101(j) of this article; OR**

20 **(2) A MOBILE CARRYING DEVICE, AS DEFINED IN § 11–133.1 OF THIS**
21 **SUBTITLE.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2019.