

# HOUSE BILL 421

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By: **Delegate Attar**

Introduced and read first time: January 18, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Law – Use or Possession of a Machine Gun in the Commission or**  
3 **Attempted Commission of a Felony**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that a person may not use or possess a machine gun in the  
5 commission or attempted commission of a felony; and generally relating to the use  
6 or possession of a machine gun.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article – Criminal Law  
9 Section 4–404  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Criminal Law**

15 4–404.

16 (a) A person may not use or possess a machine gun in the commission or  
17 attempted commission of a **FELONY OR A** crime of violence.

18 (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and on conviction is  
19 subject to imprisonment not exceeding 20 years.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 October 1, 2024.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

