

## Chapter 441

**(House Bill 614)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of State Police – Handgun Roster Board – Definition of Handgun**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of handgun for purposes of provisions relating to the Handgun Roster Board to exclude certain firearms from the definition; and generally relating to the Handgun Roster Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article – Public Safety  
 Section 5–401  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

**Article – Public Safety**

5–401.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Board” means the Handgun Roster Board.

(c) **(1) “Handgun” [has the meaning stated in § 4–201 of the Criminal Law Article] MEANS A PISTOL, A REVOLVER, OR ANY OTHER FIREARM CAPABLE OF BEING CONCEALED ON THE PERSON.**

**(2) “HANDGUN” DOES NOT INCLUDE A SHOTGUN, A RIFLE, A SHORT–BARRELED RIFLE, A SHORT–BARRELED SHOTGUN, OR AN ANTIQUE FIREARM.**

(d) “Handgun roster” means the roster of authorized handguns compiled by the Board under § 5–405 of this subtitle.

(e) “Secretary” means the Secretary of State Police or the Secretary’s designee.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.

**Approved by the Governor, May 12, 2015.**