

- (f) To reside in, enter in any place, structure or building, or to remain, in any conveyance, for the purpose of prostitution, lewdness or assignation ;  
 (g) To engage in prostitution, lewdness or assignation by any means whatsoever.

Ch. 737, acts of 1920, did not repeal the common law as to keeping bawdy houses. *Lutz v. State*, 167 Md. 12.

This section referred to in upholding an indictment for perjury. *Shaffer v. State*, 87 Md. 127.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 21. 1920, ch. 737, sec. 19A.

17. The term "prostitution" shall be construed to mean the offering or receiving of the body for sexual intercourse for hire. The term "lewdness" shall be construed to mean any unnatural sexual practice. The term "assignation" shall be construed to include the making of any appointment, or engagement for prostitution or lewdness or any act in furtherance of such appointment or engagement.

See notes to sec. 16.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 22. 1920, ch. 737, sec. 19B.

18. Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of Section 16 shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500.00 or to confinement in or commitment to any penal or reformatory institution in this State for not more than one year, or to both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court; provided, that the sentence or any part thereof may be suspended and provided that the defendant may be placed on parole or probation; provided further, that no girl or woman who shall be convicted under this Act shall be placed on parole or probation in the care or charge of any person, except a woman probation officer designated by law or by the court.<sup>1</sup>

### Bigamy.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 23. 1912, sec. 20. 1904, sec. 19. 1888, sec. 17. 1706, ch. 8. 1809, ch. 138, sec. 7. 1937, ch. 142.

19. Whosoever being married and not having obtained an annulment or a divorce *a vinculo matrimonii* of said marriage, the first husband or wife (as the case may be) being alive, shall marry any person, shall undergo a confinement in the penitentiary for a period not less than eighteen months nor more than nine years; provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend to any person whose husband or wife shall be continuously remaining beyond the seas seven years together, or shall be absent himself or herself seven years together, in any part within the United States or elsewhere, the one of them not knowing the other to be living at that time; and if such offender be a man, his first wife shall, on his conviction, be forthwith endowed of one-third part of his real estate, which she shall hold as tenant in dower, the assignment of which shall be made as prescribed by law in other cases of dower, and she shall have the like remedy for the recovery thereof; and she shall also, on his conviction, be forthwith entitled to one-third part of his personal estate, in the same manner as if such husband had died intestate, and she had survived him, which third part shall be divided and allotted to her in the same manner as distribution is made of the personal estate of intestates; and if the said offender be a man, he shall, on conviction, forfeit his claim or title as

<sup>1</sup> Sec. 2 of ch. 737 of act, 1920, repealed all laws and parts of laws in conflict with said act.