

Approved May 24, 1991.

CHAPTER 613  
(House Bill 978)

AN ACT concerning

**Controlled Dangerous Substances – Felonies – Possession of Firearms**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person convicted of certain controlled dangerous substance felonies or conspiracy or attempt to commit certain controlled dangerous substance felonies from possessing, owning, carrying, or transporting a firearm; defining a certain term; providing certain penalties; repealing a provision that prohibits a person from possessing a pistol or revolver if the person has been convicted of certain controlled dangerous substance offenses; and generally relating to the possession of firearms by a person convicted of certain controlled dangerous substance felonies.

BY adding to

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments  
Section 291A  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments  
Section 445(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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

**Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments**

291A.

(A) IN THIS SECTION "FIREARM" INCLUDES:

(1) HANDGUN, ANTIQUE FIREARM, RIFLE, SHOTGUN, SHORT-BARRELED SHOTGUN, AND SHORT-BARRELED RIFLE, AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN § 36F OF THIS ARTICLE;

(2) PISTOL, REVOLVER, AND ANTIQUE PISTOL OR REVOLVER, AS THOSE TERMS ARE DEFINED IN § 441 OF THIS ARTICLE;