

Approved May 2, 1990.

CHAPTER 346

(House Bill 662)

AN ACT concerning

Breaking and Entering – Research Facilities

FOR the purpose of providing that a person who breaks and enters a research facility is guilty of a felony; providing that a person is guilty of breaking and entering a research facility only if the person possesses a certain intent and the action was taken without a certain permission; defining certain terms; providing certain penalties; and generally relating to the prohibition of breaking and entering research facilities.

BY adding to

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 33B

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1989 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

33B.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) (I) “ENCLOSURE” MEANS ANY BUILDING, WATERCRAFT, AIRCRAFT, TRAILER, SLEEPING CAR, OR OTHER STRUCTURE OR VEHICLE.

(II) “ENCLOSURE” INCLUDES:

1. EACH SEPARATELY SECURED OR OCCUPIED PORTION OF THE BUILDING OR VEHICLE; AND

2. EACH STRUCTURE APPURTENANT OR CONNECTED TO THE BUILDING OR VEHICLE.

(3) “RESEARCH” MEANS ANY STUDIOUS AND SERIOUS INQUIRY, EXAMINATION, INVESTIGATION, OR EXPERIMENTATION AIMED AT THE DISCOVERY OR ACCUMULATION OF FACTS, DATA, THEORIES, TECHNOLOGIES, OR APPLICATIONS FOR ANY