

**Article 26 – Miscellaneous Governmental Entities**

2.

Officials of a governmental entity[, while acting in a discretionary capacity, without malice, and within the scope of their authority are immune as officials or individuals from civil liability for any act or omission] SHALL HAVE THE IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY DESCRIBED UNDER ~~TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 3~~ § 5-325 OF THE COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS ARTICLE.

[3.

An official is not immune from liability for negligence or any other tort arising from the operation of a motor vehicle except as to any claim for damages in excess of the limits of any applicable policy of motor vehicle liability insurance.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 4 and 5, respectively, of Article 26 – Miscellaneous Governmental Entities of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 3 and 4, respectively.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments**

11F.

(a) Any person who alleges to have been a victim of spousal assault and who believes there is a danger of serious and immediate injury to himself or herself may request the assistance of a local law enforcement agency. A local law enforcement officer responding to the request for assistance shall:

(1) Protect the complainant from harm when responding to the request; and

(2) Accompany the complainant to the family home so that the complainant may remove his or her personal clothing and effects and also the personal clothing and effects of any children that may be in the care of the complainant. The personal effects to be removed shall be only those required for immediate needs.

(b) Any law enforcement officer responding to such a request shall [be immune from civil liability in complying with the request as long as the officer acts in good faith and in a reasonable manner] HAVE THE IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY DESCRIBED UNDER ~~TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 3~~ § 5-326 OF THE COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS ARTICLE.

594B.

(h) (1) A federal law enforcement officer who, in his official capacity, is authorized by law to make arrests, has the powers of arrest set forth in this section, if the officer is rendering assistance to a police officer as defined in subsection (g), at the request of the police officer or in an emergency.