

lice"; Section 131, subheading "Embezzling Property and Writings," Section 140, subheading "False Pretenses, Bad Checks, Etc.,"; Section 173, subheading "Fraud—Conversion of Money on Securities"; Section 215, subheading "Fraud—Rehypothecation of Personal Securities"; Section 220, subheading "Fraud—Neglect to Deliver Draft, Etc. for Merchandise Stored"; Section 300 (b), subheading "Health—Narcotic Drugs"; Section 349, subheading "Larceny—Horses on Vehicles"; and Section 366, subheading "Lotteries"; be and they are hereby repealed, and re-enacted, with amendments, and that new Section 727 be and it is hereby added to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments," to follow immediately after Section 726 thereof, and to be under the new subtitle "IV. Felonies and Misdemeanors," SECTIONS 32, 33, AND 34, SUBHEADING "BURGLARY; BREAKING AND ENTERING"; SECTION 139, SUBHEADING "ESCAPING FROM PENITENTIARY"; SECTION 373, SUBHEADING "MACHINE GUNS"; SECTIONS 385 AND 386, SUBHEADING "MAIMING"; SECTION 450, SUBHEADING "POISON—ATTEMPTING TO"; SECTION 466, SUBHEADING "RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS, MONEY, OR SECURITIES"; AND SECTIONS 536, 537, 538 AND 539, SUBHEADING "SABOTAGE PREVENTION"; BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS, and all to read as follows:

1.

Any person who shall, for purposes of prostitution, fornication or concubinage, forcibly abduct from her home or usual place of abode or from the custody and control of her parent or parents or guardian any female under the age of eighteen years, or be accessory thereto, or who shall for said purpose persuade or entice from her usual place of abode, or from the custody and control of her parent or parents or guardian, any such female, or be accessory thereto, or shall knowingly secrete or harbor any such female so abducted, persuaded or enticed as aforesaid, against the consent of her parent or parents or guardian, or the person or persons who may have the temporary care, custody or control of such female, or be accessory thereto, shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a **[misdemeanor]** *felony* and shall undergo imprisonment in the penitentiary, in the discretion of the court, not exceeding the term of eight years; provided, that nothing contained in this section shall apply to cases pending nor to violations of the law which have heretofore occurred, but all such cases and violations shall be prosecuted as if the law hereby repealed were still in force.

2.

Any person who shall without the color of right forcibly abduct, take or carry away any child under the age of twelve years from the home or usual place of abode of such child, or from the custody and control of the parent or parents, or lawful guardian or guardians of such child, or be accessory thereto, or who shall without such color of right and against the consent of the parent or parents or lawful guardian or guardians of such child, persuade or entice from the usual place of abode or house of such child, or from the custody and control of the parent or parents, or guardian or guardians of