

CHAPTER 202

(House Bill 204)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 36(a) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume and 1967 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Concealed Weapons" to change the penalties for the carrying or wearing of concealed weapons in this State and to make provisions of this subtitle as to minors applicable to the county of Washington.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 36(a) of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume and 1967 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments" subtitle "Concealed Weapons" be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

36.

(a) Every person who shall wear or carry any pistol, dirk knife, bowie knife, switchblade knife, sandclub, metal knuckles, razor, or any other dangerous or deadly weapon of any kind, whatsoever (penknives without switchblade excepted) concealed upon or about his person, and every person who shall wear or carry any such weapon openly with the intent or purpose of injuring any person in any unlawful manner, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be *fin*ed not more than one thousand (1,000.00) dollars or be imprisoned in jail, or sentenced to the Maryland Department of Correction for not [less than six months nor] more than three years; and in case of conviction, if it shall appear from the evidence that such weapon was carried, concealed as aforesaid or openly, with the deliberate purpose of injuring the person or destroying the life of another, the court, or justice of the peace, presiding in the case, shall impose the highest sentence of imprisonment hereinbefore prescribed. In Cecil, Anne Arundel, Talbot, Harford, Caroline, Prince George's, Montgomery, *Washington*, Worcester and Kent counties it shall also be unlawful and a misdemeanor, punishable as above set forth, for any minor to carry any dangerous or deadly weapon between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise, whether concealed or not, except while on a bona fide hunting trip, or except while engaged in or on the way to or returning from a bona fide trap shoot, sport shooting event, or any organized civic or military activity.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved April 10, 1968.

CHAPTER 203

(House Bill 212)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 20(g) of Article 36 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Supplement),