

the space of three years to the person or institution having custody of the minor child or children, or if an agreement be had with respect to such child or children, and to release the defendant from custody on probation for the space of three years upon his or her entering into a recognizance in such sum as the court shall direct, with or without sureties. *Any such order shall constitute a lien on the earnings of the defendant EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF STATE EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYEES OF BALTIMORE CITY, and the employer is required to deduct the amount of such decree as soon as notified by the Probation Department. All such deductions are to be paid directly by the employer to the notifying Probation Department.* The condition of the recognizance shall be such that if the defendant shall make his or her personal appearance at the court whenever ordered to do so within the three years, and shall further comply with the terms of the order, or of any subsequent modification thereof, then the recognizance shall be void, otherwise of full force and effect. If the court be satisfied by information and due proof under oath, at any time during the three years, that the defendant has violated the terms of such order, it may forthwith proceed to the trial of the defendant under the original indictment, or sentence him or her under the original conviction, as the case may be. In the case of forfeiture of a recognizance and enforcement thereof by execution, the sum recovered may, in the discretion of the court, be paid in whole or in part to the person or institution having custody of the minor child or children.

(e) Any company, business or other institution which discharges or fails to hire a person because a support decree has been issued against him shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in any court of the State having criminal jurisdiction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.*

Approved May 5, 1970

CHAPTER 578
(House Bill 117)

AN ACT to add new Sections 28 through ~~36~~ 35, inclusive, to Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Consumer Protection," to follow immediately after Section 27 thereof, and to be under the new subheading "Home Solicitation Sales Act," to establish certain protective measures to buyers who have made purchases in their homes, and generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Sections 28 through ~~36~~ 35, inclusive, be and they are hereby added to Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Consumer Protection," to follow immediately after Section 27 thereof, and to be under the new subheading "Home Solicitation Sales Act," and to read as follows:*