

in the house of correction or jail for not more than ten years,] or be both fined and imprisoned in the discretion of the court. [In Baltimore City and Anne Arundel County where the amount of money or the value of the thing taken does not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) the Municipal Court of Baltimore City and People's Court of Anne Arundel County shall have jurisdiction to try persons charged with violating this section, provided that persons so convicted in the Municipal Court or People's Court of Anne Arundel County shall not be sentenced to the penitentiary by those courts.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1974.

Approved April 30, 1974.

CHAPTER 554

(House Bill 1413)

AN ACT concerning

Child Abuse

FOR the purpose of expanding the definition of child abuse, defining sexual abuse, requiring reports to include information on sexual abuse; clarifying language; providing immunity from civil liability and criminal penalty for physicians or health care institutions examining or treating a child without the consent of the parents or guardian in certain cases; and providing for payment to physicians or health care institutions for charges incurred.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 35A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 35A of Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: