

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 75(a) of Article 56 - Licenses, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 56 - Licenses

75.

(a) The term "private detective business" shall mean the business of conducting a private detective agency or for the purpose of making for hire or reward any investigation or investigations for the purpose of obtaining information with reference to any of the following matters, notwithstanding the fact that other functions and services may also be performed by the same person, firm, association or corporation for fee, hire or reward, to wit: (1) Crime or wrong done or threatened or assumed to have been done or threatened against the government of the United States of America, or any state, territory or possession of the United States of America; (2) the identity, habits, conduct, movements, whereabouts, affiliations, associations, transactions, reputation or character of any person, association, organization, society or groups of persons, firms or corporations; (3) the credibility of witnesses or other persons; (4) the whereabouts of missing persons; (5) the location or recovery of lost or stolen property; (6) the causes and origin of, or responsibility for, fires, accidents, damage, injuries or losses to persons, firms, associations or corporations, or to real or personal property; (7) the affiliation, connection or relation of any person, firm or corporation with any official member or representative thereof; (8) with reference to the conduct, honesty, efficiency, loyalty or activities of employees, agents, contractors and subcontractors; (9) the securing of evidence to be used before any investigating committee, board of award, board of arbitration, or in the trial of any civil or criminal cause; provided, however, that the term shall not include a person, firm, association or corporation engaged exclusively in the business of making investigations and reports as to the financial standing, credit and financial responsibility of persons, firms, associations or corporations nor to electrically controlled burglar or fire alarm systems with a central unit, nor to any person, firm, association or corporation exclusively engaged in the business of making reports for insurance or credit purposes except when the making of such reports involves investigation or surveillance normally performed by persons, firms, associations or corporations otherwise