

more correct, specific substitution for the phrase, presently appearing in the definition of "tree" in Art. 1A, §1-123: "any object of natural growth".

The only other changes are in style.

(J) OPERATE AIRCRAFT.

"OPERATE AIRCRAFT" MEANS TO NAVIGATE, PILOT, OR OTHERWISE USE AIRCRAFT IN THE AIR OR ON LAND OR WATER.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived from the first sentence of Art. 1A, §1-115.

The term "operation of aircraft", which presently is identically defined as "operate aircraft", is deleted as unnecessary since the meaning of that variant necessarily would flow from the definition of the verb "operate".

The general phrase "in the air or on land or water" is substituted for the present "in the airspace over this State or upon any airport within this State". The latter is unduly limited and inconsistent with usage of the phrase elsewhere in present Art. 1A; see, e.g., present Art. 1A, §10-1002 (now §5-1006 of this title) on reckless operation, which refers to any operation in the air "or on the ground or water" in this State.

The only other changes are in style.

The second sentence of present Art. 1A, §1-115 now appears as §5-1009 of this title.

(K) POLICE OFFICER.

"POLICE OFFICER" MEANS:

(1) ANY STATE AVIATION ADMINISTRATION POLICE OFFICER; AND

(2) ANY OTHER STATE OR LOCAL OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ARRESTS FOR VIOLATIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL LAWS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to clarify and conform present references to persons "charged with the enforcement of State and local laws" (see, e.g., present Art. 1A, §10-1001(a), now §5-1102 of this title) and to a "law enforcement officer" (see, e.g., present Art. 1A, §6-602, now §5-1003 of this title). It is patterned after the similar definition in