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(d) Every person convicted of the crime of shoplifting to the value of \$100 or upwards, or as accessory before the fact, is guilty of a felony and shall restore any goods, or things taken, to the owner or shall pay him their full value, and shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or be imprisoned in the penitentiary for not more than three years. If any person is convicted of the crime of shoplifting under the value of \$100 he is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall restore the goods and chattels taken, or pay their full value to the owner thereof, and be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned for not more than 18 months [in the house of correction or jail], or both fined and imprisoned. [In Baltimore City, where the value of the thing stolen does not exceed \$500, the Municipal Court of Baltimore City has jurisdiction to try persons charged with violating this section. Persons convicted in the Municipal Court shall not be sentenced to the penitentiary by that court.]

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4B-1(b) of Article 33 - Election Code, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

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(b) The signatures shall not be appended to one paper but shall be on separate papers, bearing one or more signatures, and being no more than 8 1/2 inches in width and 14 inches in length. Each paper shall contain the names of persons residing only in one county or only in the City of Baltimore. Each signer shall append to his signature his residence, and the name of the county or city where he is registered as a voter, and immediately below the signature of any signer there shall be either printed or typed the name of the signer. Every paper shall be accompanied by an affidavit or affidavits which state that the signers are registered voters of the county or city as set forth in the petition and that the affiant or affiants witnessed the application of each signature to the paper. The affidavits shall be made before a [justice of the peace,] notary public[, ] or other officer authorized to take oaths under the laws of this State by one or more persons known personally to the [justice of the peace,] notary public[, ] or other official, and it shall be so certified.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 5(b) of Article 49 - Interest and Usury, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1976