

WHICH THE PEACE OFFICER WAS APPOINTED AND IN WHICH THE ARREST WAS MADE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 6, 1980.

CHAPTER 343

(Senate Bill 824)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes and Punishments - Chemical Mace and Tear Gas Devices

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the carrying of chemical mace or tear gas ~~either--concealed--or~~ with the intent to injure.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 36
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

36.

(a) Every person who shall wear or carry any dirk knife, bowie knife, switchblade knife, sandclub, metal knuckles, razor, nunchaku, ~~CHEMICAL MACE, OR TEAR GAS DEVICE~~ or any other dangerous or deadly weapon of any kind, whatsoever (penknives without switchblade and handguns, excepted) concealed upon or about his person, and every person who shall wear or carry any such weapon, CHEMICAL MACE OR TEAR GAS DEVICE openly with the intent or purpose of injuring any person in any unlawful manner, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than [one thousand (\$1,000.00)] \$1,000 dollars or be imprisoned in jail, or sentenced to the Maryland Department of Correction for not more than three years; and in case of conviction, if it shall appear from the evidence that such weapon was carried, concealed as aforesaid or openly, with the deliberate purpose of injuring the person or destroying the life of another, the court