BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses Section 75(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1979 Replacement Volume)

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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

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75.

(a) The term "private detective business" means 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, 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. However, the term does 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 those reports involves investigation or surveillance normally performed by persons, firms, associations, or corporations otherwise subject to