

concurrent with his membership on the Maryland Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation] IS CHOSEN JOINTLY BY THE PRESIDENT AND SPEAKER AND HAS-~~IS~~ INTERESTS. The third commissioner shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The third commissioner shall be a resident of the State having knowledge of and interest in marine fisheries problems. His tenure shall be three years or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the effectiveness of this Act is contingent upon the enactment of House Bill 129 of 1983. Should that measure fail of enactment, the provisions of this Act are null and void without the need of further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 24, 1983.

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CHAPTER 437

(House Bill 663)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law - Forfeiture

FOR the purpose of providing that a defendant may petition for the return of forfeited money or currency when the State or a political subdivision has failed to file a petition for forfeiture within a certain time; providing that the defendant must file this petition within a certain time from the date of final disposition of the criminal proceeding; providing that unclaimed money or currency will revert to the proper State or political subdivision treasury; and generally relating to the forfeiture of money or currency.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 297(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)