

certain age under certain circumstances; defining a certain term; providing for a certain statute of limitations for the prosecution of certain misdemeanors created by this Act; and generally relating to a sexual offense involving a person in a position of authority and a person under a certain age under certain circumstances.

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 5-106(aa)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Criminal Law  
Section 3-307  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law  
Section 3-308  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2002 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

5-106.

(AA) A PROSECUTION FOR A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE UNDER § 3-308(C) OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE SHALL BE INSTITUTED WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED.

**Article - Criminal Law**

3-307.

(a) A person may not:

(1) (i) engage in sexual contact with another without the consent of the other; and

(ii) 1. employ or display a dangerous weapon, or a physical object that the victim reasonably believes is a dangerous weapon;

2. suffocate, strangle, disfigure, or inflict serious physical injury on the victim or another in the course of committing the crime;