

2. (a) [Nothing contained in § 66 of this article or in this subtitle shall affect any proceeding or prosecution under said § 66 or under the former Article 12 of this Code, title "Bastardy and Fornication" instituted prior to June 1, 1963; any such proceedings or prosecution may be continued, including the enforcement or modification of any order theretofore passed in said proceeding, to the same extent and with the same effect as if said Article 12 had not been repealed] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE DOES NOT AFFECT ANY PROCEEDING OR PROSECUTION THAT WAS INSTITUTED BEFORE JUNE 1, 1963 UNDER FORMER ARTICLE 12 OF THE CODE, "BASTARDY AND FORNICATION". ANY PROCEEDING, PROSECUTION, OR ENFORCEMENT OR MODIFICATION OF AN ORDER PASSED IN A BASTARDY PROCEEDING MAY BE CONTINUED AS IF FORMER ARTICLE 12 HAD NOT BEEN REPEALED.

(b) In any proceeding under [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, proof of a prior conviction under [said] FORMER Article 12 OF THE CODE, whether the conviction occurred before or after June 1, 1963, shall be accepted and taken as conclusively establishing that the person so convicted is the father of the child or children in question.

(c) A person convicted [as aforesaid] UNDER FORMER ARTICLE 12 OF THE CODE shall have a continuing responsibility for the support and education of the child or children to the full extent provided for in [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE and may at any time be proceeded against under [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE notwithstanding any previous conviction or convictions under [said] FORMER Article 12 OF THE CODE or any previous commitment or the consequent serving of any terms resulting from [said] convictions. In the event any such person is proceeded against under [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, then, from and after the time the court acquires jurisdiction over the person by reason of his arrest or the service of a subpoena upon him as provided in [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, all further proceedings against him shall be had and taken pursuant to the provisions of [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, and no further proceedings shall be had or taken against such person in the prior proceedings under [said] FORMER Article 12 OF THE CODE, except as hereinafter provided. Thereafter, the court, acting pursuant to the provisions of [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, may pass [such orders] ANY ORDER and take [such] ANY action [as] it may deem appropriate in the case, [to the same extent and as fully] as if [said] THE case had been originally instituted under [this subtitle] TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 10 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE, including, but not limited to, discharging [such] THE person from commitment, probation, or any other order or condition imposed in the prior proceeding under [said] FORMER Article 12 OF THE CODE, and providing for the fixing and manner and extent of paying any arrearages in support or other payments which may have accrued in the [said] prior proceedings. [In such case, where] WHERE the prior proceeding under [said] FORMER Article 12 OF THE CODE, was