

proceedings; prohibiting courts from charging a criminal defendant found not guilty fees or costs in certain criminal proceedings; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the payment of fees and costs in criminal proceedings.

BY repealing

Article 38 - Fines and Forfeitures
Section 4A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1982 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 7-203
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

~~BY-repealing-and-reenacting,-with-amendments,~~

~~Article---Courts-and-Judicial-Proceedings
Section-7-301
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland
{1984-Replacement-Volume-and-1985-Supplement}~~

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

Article 38 - Fines and Forfeitures

[4A.

No person who may be prosecuted for any misdemeanor or offense and discharged by the court on submission, or fined not exceeding fifteen cents, or prosecuted for any crime and acquitted on trial by jury, shall be burdened with the payment of any costs or fees accruing on such prosecution, but all such costs and fees, with the legal costs of the party accused, shall be paid by the county; and no person taken upon any warrant or capias on presentment where no bill of indictment is found shall be liable to pay or give security for costs, but such costs shall be paid by the county. The mayor and city council of Baltimore shall not, however, be liable in any such cases tried in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City for the appearance fees allowed by law to the attorney of the traverser.]

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

7-203.