

after a warning or request to desist; and generally relating to ~~harrassment~~ harassment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 121A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

121A.

(a) In this section "course of conduct" means a persistent pattern of conduct, composed of a series of acts over a period of time, that evidences a continuity of purpose.

(b) This section does not apply to any peaceable activity intended to express political views or provide information to others.

(c) A person may not follow another person in or about a public place or maliciously engage in a course of conduct that alarms or seriously annoys another person:

(1) With intent to harass, alarm, or annoy the other person;

(2) After reasonable warning or request to desist, ~~IF FEASIBLE,~~ by OR ON BEHALF OF the other person; and

(3) Without a legal purpose.

(d) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 25, 1989.
