- (5) (6) A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO EXERCISES THE POWERS SET FORTH IN THIS SUBSECTION HAS THE SAME LEGAL STATUS AND IMMUNITY FROM SUIT AS A POLICE OFFICER OF THIS STATE.
- (6) (7) NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO IMPOSE LIABILITY UPON OR TO REQUIRE INDEMNIFICATION BY THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR ANY LOCAL SUBDIVISION FOR ANY ACT PERFORMED BY A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION.
- (7) (8) (1) ANY FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ACTING PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL ENJOY THE SAME PROTECTIONS PROVIDED TO POLICE OFFICERS OF THIS STATE AS SET FORTH IN § 2-608 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE WITH REGARD TO CHARGING DOCUMENTS AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS.
- (II) A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ACTING UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL HAVE THE IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY DESCRIBED UNDER § 5–327 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE.

## Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

## *2–608*.

(a) (8) "Law enforcement officer" [has the meaning stated in Article 27, § 727(b) of the Code ] MEANS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 27, § 727(B) OF THE CODE OR ANY FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO EXERCISES THE POWERS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 27, § 594B(H) OF THE CODE.

## *5–327*.

- [(a) In this section, "police officer" has the meaning stated in Article 27, § 594B of the Code.
- (b) A federal law enforcement officer who exercises the [power of arrest] POWERS set forth under Article 27, § 594B of the Code [in rendering assistance to a police officer, at the request of the police officer or in an emergency,] has the same legal status and immunity from suit as [the police officer to whom the federal law enforcement officer is rendering assistance] A MARYLAND STATE POLICE OFFICER.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

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