

Approved May 11, 1993.

CHAPTER 205

(Senate Bill 7)

AN ACT concerning

~~Harassment~~ ~~Threats~~ Crimes - Stalking - Penalties

FOR the purpose of ~~making it a misdemeanor for a person to harass another person under certain circumstances; making it a misdemeanor for a person to make a certain type of threat in the course of harassing another person; establishing that a second or subsequent conviction for either of these offenses is a felony; imposing certain penalties; defining certain terms; and generally relating to criminal penalties for certain types of harassment felony for a person to stalk another person with the intent to place that person in fear of bodily injury or death; providing that the intent requirement of the Act is satisfied under certain circumstances; imposing certain penalties; providing that a sentence imposed under this Act may be imposed separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence for any other offense based upon the act or acts establishing a violation of this Act prohibiting a person from engaging in stalking; imposing certain penalties; specifying the circumstances under which a police officer may arrest a person without a warrant; requiring a court or a District Court Commissioner to consider including certain protections for alleged victims when releasing pretrial a defendant charged with stalking; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the criminal penalties for certain types of stalking.~~

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

~~Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments~~

~~Section 121A~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(1992 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)~~

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 121B, 594B(o), and 616 1/2(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

~~Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings~~

~~Section 4-301 and 4-302~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(1989 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)~~