

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

678B.

(a) Each institution of the Division of Correction shall maintain a reserve financial account and a spending financial account for each inmate in the institution.

(b) The accounts of an inmate may be charged for:

(1) [the] THE reasonable value of any State property that is willfully or maliciously destroyed by the inmate or that is destroyed as a result of gross negligence by the inmate; OR

(2) ANY FEES ASSESSED UNDER ARTICLE 41, § 4-104 OF THE CODE.

(c) The Commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations that:

(1) Set forth those items that may be credited to or disbursed from an account under this section; and

(2) Set forth procedures for carrying out the provisions of this section, including procedures that provide due process of law to any inmate before his accounts may be charged with a disbursement under subsection (b) of this section.

700A.

(d) A prisoner employed in the community under a “work-release” plan shall surrender to the Division of Correction his total earnings, less payroll deductions required by law. The Division shall deduct from these earnings, in the following order of priority, an amount determined to be the cost to the State of providing food, lodging and clothing for the prisoner; FEES ASSESSED UNDER ARTICLE 41, § 4-104 OF THE CODE; the actual and necessary food, travel and other expenses of the prisoner when released from actual confinement under the program; the amount which the prisoner may be legally obligated to pay for the support of his dependents, which amount shall be paid to the dependents through the local social services administration in the county or city in which the dependents reside; and the amount ordered to be paid by the court as restitution. Any balance remaining after these deductions and payments shall be credited to the prisoner’s account and shall be paid to him upon release. In those cases in which the prisoner’s final earnings under a work-release plan are required to satisfy the obligatory deductions set forth in this subsection, the balance of such earnings shall be forwarded to the prisoner within 15 days of the date of his release from the Division’s jurisdiction.

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments

4-104.

(a) The Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall be responsible for the budget of his office and for the budgets of the other divisions, boards, commissions, offices and agencies within the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services.