SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 3-101 and 3-102, respectively, and the subtitle "Subtitle 1. Notice of Personnel Provisions" of Article - State Personnel and Pensions of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 3-601 and 3-602, respectively, and the amended subtitle "Subtitle 6. Notice of Personnel Provisions".

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - State Personnel and Pensions

SUBTITLE 1. REPRISALS FOR GRIEVANCES, COMPLAINTS, OR OTHER ACTIONS CONCERNING STATE EMPLOYMENT

3-101.

THIS SUBTITLE APPLIES TO ALL EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING CLASSIFIED, UNCLASSIFIED, FULL-TIME, PART-TIME, PERMANENT, TEMPORARY, AND CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES, OF ALL UNITS IN THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES OF STATE GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING ALL UNITS WITH INDEPENDENT PERSONNEL SYSTEMS EXCEPT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SYSTEM.

3-102.

DURING ANY STAGE OF AN EMPLOYEE'S COMPLAINT, GRIEVANCE, OR OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OR LEGAL ACTION THAT CONCERNS STATE EMPLOYMENT, THE EMPLOYEE MAY NOT BE SUBJECTED TO COERCION, DISCRIMINATION, INTERFERENCE, REPRISAL, OR RESTRAINT BY OR INITIATED ON BEHALF OF THE EMPLOYER SOLELY AS A RESULT OF THAT EMPLOYEE'S PURSUIT OF A GRIEVANCE, COMPLAINT, OR OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OR LEGAL ACTION THAT CONCERNS STATE EMPLOYMENT.

3-103.

AN EMPLOYEE MAY NOT <u>INTENTIONALLY</u> TAKE OR ASSIST IN TAKING ANY ACTION THAT IS OF A NATURE OR THAT HAS THE EFFECT OF BEING AN ACT OF COERCION, DISCRIMINATION, INTERFERENCE, REPRISAL, OR RESTRAINT AGAINST ANOTHER EMPLOYEE <u>SOLELY</u> AS A RESULT OF THAT EMPLOYEE'S PURSUIT OF A GRIEVANCE, COMPLAINT, OR OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OR LEGAL ACTION THAT CONCERNS STATE EMPLOYMENT.

3-104.

AN EMPLOYEE WHO VIOLATES § 3–103 OF THIS SUBTITLE IS SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION, INCLUDING THE TERMINATION OF STATE EMPLOYMENT.