

circumstances; providing that the waiver may be revoked under certain circumstances; specifying that the revocation of a waiver under this Act shall continue the State postconviction review process for a certain period of time; requiring that the date of a hearing on a certain type of postconviction petition be set within a certain period; requiring that such a hearing be held, with certain exceptions, within a certain period; requiring the court to issue a decision on such a petition within a certain number of days after the hearing; requiring a party who seeks to obtain automatic removal of a case under a certain constitutional provision to file a certain motion within a certain time period; prohibiting a court from granting a party's request for removal after the time period has expired unless the party seeking removal establishes that the party cannot obtain a fair trial or sentencing proceeding in the jurisdiction in which the case is pending; providing for the application of this Act; making certain provisions of this Act contingent upon the passage of a certain Constitutional Amendment; making certain stylistic changes; defining certain terms; making certain changes to conform to death penalty reform; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to the death penalty.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 75, 75A, ~~412~~, 412, 413(b) and (d), and 645A

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BY adding to

~~Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments~~

~~Section 412A~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

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BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section ~~412 and~~ 413(a)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

75.

(a) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.