

(j) When a defendant has been found guilty of a Code violation and a fine has been imposed by the court, the court may direct that the payment of the fine be suspended or deferred under such conditions as the court may establish. When any defendant has been found guilty of a Code violation and willfully fails to pay the fine imposed by the court, that willful failure may be treated as a criminal contempt of court, for which the defendant may be punished by the court as provided by law.

(k) A defendant who has been found guilty of a Code violation has the right to appeal or to file a motion for a new trial or a motion for a revision of a judgment provided by law in the trial of a criminal case. The motions shall be made in the same manner provided in the trial of criminal cases, and the court, in ruling on the motions, has the same authority provided in the trial of criminal cases.

(l) The State's Attorney of any county may prosecute a Code violation in the same manner as prosecution of a violation of the criminal laws of this State. The State's Attorney is authorized to enter a nolle prosequi in such cases or to place such cases on the stet docket, and to exercise authority in the same manner prescribed by law for violation of the criminal laws of this State.

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-801.

(u) "Violation" means a violation of § 400, § 400A, § 400B, § 401, or § 405A of Article 27 of the Code and § 26-103 of the Education Article for which a citation is issued.

3-835.

(a) A law enforcement officer authorized to make arrests shall issue a citation to a child if the officer has probable cause to believe that the child is violating:

- (1) Article 27, § 400, § 400A, § 400B, § 401, or § 405A of the Code; or
- (2) § 26-103 of the Education Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

May 23, 1996

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 545.

This bill alters the membership of the Board of Directors of the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation by changing the number of voting members on the board