

(g) (viii) the feasibility of either assigning technology-related criminal matters to a business and technology division or of establishing some alternative means of providing particular courts or judges with appropriate, specific training to deal with technology-related criminal matters.

(f) The Task Force shall issue a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Court of Appeals, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the President of the Senate of Maryland, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, the House Judiciary Committee, the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2000.

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2000.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2001, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved April 25, 2000.

CHAPTER 11

(House Bill 19)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act

FOR the purpose of adopting the Maryland Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act; specifying that provisions of certain consumer protection laws apply to certain consumer contracts; specifying that provisions of law granting jurisdiction over a person in a cause of action include certain computer information and computer information transactions; establishing certain provisions of law applicable to agreements to create, modify, transfer, or distribute computer software, computer data and databases, Internet and online information, and certain other computer information and products under certain circumstances; establishing certain provisions of law applicable to licensing of computer information under certain circumstances; establishing certain provisions of law applicable to electronic commerce and commercial transactions carried out electronically or over the Internet under certain circumstances; authorizing parties to an agreement within the scope of this Act to expressly agree that certain provisions of this Act do not apply to the agreement; prohibiting parties to an agreement within the scope of this Act from agreeing that certain provisions of this Act do not apply to the agreement; providing that certain federal and State laws override the provisions of this Act; providing that this Act overrides certain provisions of State law; establishing certain choice of law and choice of forum provisions for legal disputes within the scope of this Act