interfere with the preparation of the United States or of any of the states for defense or for war, or with the prosecution of war, by the United States, or by any country with which the United States shall then maintain friendly relations, the minimum punishment, upon conviction, shall be imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than one (1) year and the maximum punishment shall be as above provided.]

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Whoever attempts to commit any of the crimes defined by this subtitle shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, be liable to one half the punishment prescribed for the completed crime. In addition to the acts which constitute an attempt to commit a crime under the laws of this State, the solicitation or incitement of another to commit any of the crimes defined by this subtitle not followed by the commission of the crime, the collection or assemblage of any materials with the intent that the same are to be used then or at a later time in the commission of such crime, or the entry, with or without permission, of a building, enclosure or other premises of another with the intent to commit any such crime therein or thereon shall constitute an attempt to commit such crime.]

[539.

If two or more persons conspire to commit any crime defined by this subtitle, each of such persons is guilty of conspiracy and shall be deemed a felon subject to the same punishment as if he had committed the crime which he conspired to commit, whether or not any act be done in furtherance of the conspiracy. It shall not constitute any defense or ground of suspension of judgment, sentence or punishment on behalf of any person prosecuted under this section, that any of his fellow conspirators has been acquitted, has not been arrested or convicted, is not amenable to justice or has been pardoned or otherwise discharged before or after conviction.]

[541.

Any individual, partnership, association, corporation, municipal corporation or state or any political subdivision thereof engaged in, or preparing to engage in, the manufacture, transportation or storage of any product to be used in the preparation of the United States or of any of the states for defense or for war or in the prosecution of war by the United States, or by any country with which the United States shall then maintain friendly relations, or the manufacture, transportation, distribution or storage of gas, oil, coal, electricity or water, or any of said natural or artificial persons operating any public utility, whose property, except where it fronts on water or where there are entrances for railway cars, vehicles, persons or things, is surrounded by a fence or wall, or a fence or wall and buildings, may post around his or its property at each gate, entrance, dock or railway entrance and every one hundred (100) feet of waterfront a sign reading "No Entry Without Permission". Whoever without permission of such owner shall wilfully enter upon premises so posted shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten (10) days, or a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00), or both 1