

(F) CRIMINAL JUSTICE UNIT.

(1) "CRIMINAL JUSTICE UNIT" MEANS A GOVERNMENT UNIT OR SUBUNIT THAT ALLOCATES A SUBSTANTIAL PART OF ITS ANNUAL BUDGET TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS AND THAT BY LAW:

(I) MAY ARREST, DETAIN, PROSECUTE, OR ADJUDICATE PERSONS SUSPECTED OF OR CHARGED WITH A CRIME;

(II) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CUSTODIAL TREATMENT OR CONFINEMENT UNDER TITLE 3 OF THIS ARTICLE OF PERSONS CHARGED OR CONVICTED OF A CRIME OR RELIEVED OF CRIMINAL PUNISHMENT BY REASON OF A VERDICT OF NOT CRIMINALLY RESPONSIBLE;

(III) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION, REHABILITATION, OR RELEASE OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF A CRIME; OR

(IV) IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION ACTIVITIES AND THE COLLECTION, STORAGE, AND DISSEMINATION OF CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION.

(2) "CRIMINAL JUSTICE UNIT" INCLUDES, WHEN EXERCISING JURISDICTION OVER CRIMINAL MATTERS, ALTERNATIVE DISPOSITIONS OF CRIMINAL MATTERS, OR CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION:

(I) A STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL POLICE UNIT, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, OR CORRECTIONAL FACILITY;

(II) A UNIT REQUIRED TO REPORT TO THE CENTRAL REPOSITORY UNDER § 3-107 OR § 3-112 OF THIS ARTICLE;

(III) THE OFFICES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, STATE'S ATTORNEYS, AND ANY OTHER PERSON OR UNIT THAT BY LAW MAY PROSECUTE PERSONS ACCUSED OF A CRIME; AND

(IV) THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS, THE COURT OF APPEALS, THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS, THE CIRCUIT COURTS, THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND, AND THE OFFICES OF THE CLERKS OF THESE COURTS.

(3) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN §§ 10-215(A)(21) AND (22) AND 10-216(E) OF THIS SUBTITLE, "CRIMINAL JUSTICE UNIT" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE; OR

(II) A JUVENILE COURT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 743(f).

In paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection, the former reference to a government agency's authority to "exercise the power" to arrest, detain, prosecute, or adjudicate is deleted in light of the agency's discretionary authority that it "may" exercise those powers.