

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-1302.

A responsible person is civilly liable to the merchant:

(1) To restore the merchandise to the merchant or, if the merchandise is not recoverable, has been damaged, or otherwise has lost all or part of its value, to pay the merchant an amount equal to the merchant's stated sales price for the merchandise;

(2) To pay the merchant for any other actual damages sustained by the merchant, not including the loss of time or wages incurred in connection with the apprehension or prosecution of the shoplifter or employee; and

(3) Subject to the merchant's compliance with the procedures contained in § 3-1303 of this subtitle, to pay the merchant a civil penalty equal to twice the merchant's stated sales price for the merchandise, but not less than ~~[\$50]~~ \$100 nor more than ~~[\$500]~~ \$1,000.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to a cause of action arising before the effective date of this Act.

~~SECTION 2.~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.

CHAPTER 588

(Senate Bill 275)

AN ACT concerning

State Police Retirement System - Special Death Benefits

FOR the purpose of altering the formula for computing the retirement allowance to be paid to certain surviving beneficiaries of members of the State Police Retirement System; providing that for certain deceased members of the State Police Retirement System, any allowance paid to the surviving spouse is to be recalculated in a certain manner; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to special death benefits for the State Police Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

Section 29-204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)