

Defined terms: "Crime" § 11-801

"Delinquent act" § 11-101

GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE TO SECTION:

Former Art. 27, § 815(d)(1)(vi), which defined "crime" in part to mean a "delinquent act", is deleted as unnecessary in light of the defined term "delinquent act" that is used throughout this title. See § 11-101 to title.

Former Art. 27, § 815(e), which defined "family" for purposes of this subtitle, is deleted as obsolete and unnecessary because, although the term "family" appeared in the former law, the term was not used in a context indicating the definition stated in Art. 27, § 815(e).

11-802. LEGISLATIVE POLICY.

(A) LEGISLATIVE POLICY.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS:

(1) THAT MANY INNOCENT PERSONS SUFFER PERSONAL PHYSICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY OR DIE BECAUSE OF CRIMES OR DELINQUENT ACTS OR IN THEIR EFFORTS TO PREVENT THEM OR APPREHEND PERSONS COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT THEM;

(2) THAT THESE PERSONS OR THEIR DEPENDENTS MAY AS A RESULT SUFFER DISABILITY, INCUR FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS, OR BECOME RELIANT ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; AND

(3) THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THESE VICTIMS.

(B) STATEMENT OF POLICY.

THE POLICY OF THE STATE IS THAT HELP, CARE, AND SUPPORT BE PROVIDED BY THE STATE, AS A MATTER OF MORAL RESPONSIBILITY, FOR THESE VICTIMS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 816.

The defined term "delinquent act" is added. See General Revisor's Note to title.

Defined terms: "Crime" § 11-801

"Delinquent act" § 11-101

"Dependent" § 11-801

"Victim" § 11-801

11-803. SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE.

THE SECRETARY MAY DESIGNATE A PERSON TO CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.