11–916. STATE VICTIMS OF CRIME FUND — IN GENERAL.

(A) ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS A STATE VICTIMS OF CRIME FUND.

(B) PURPOSE.

(1) THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO PAY FOR CARRYING OUT:

(I) ARTICLE 47 OF THE MARYLAND DECLARATION OF RIGHTS;

(II) THE GUIDELINES FOR THE TREATMENT AND ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF CRIMES AND DELINQUENT ACTS PROVIDED IN §§ 11–1002 AND 11–1003 OF THIS TITLE; AND

(III) ANY LAWS ENACTED TO BENEFIT VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF CRIMES AND DELINQUENT ACTS.

(2) THE FUND MAY PAY FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE FUND.

(C) ADMINISTRATION.

THE BOARD SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 854(k) and (j)(1).

In subsection (a) of this section, the reference to the "State" is substituted for the former reference to "Maryland" to avoid the use of duplicative terms "Maryland" and "State" and to correspond with other designations used in this article. In addition, the former reference to an "Account" is deleted to conform to practice and to § 11–910 of this subtitle and other designations used in this article when referring to the Fund.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, as to the substitution of the reference to "carrying out" for the former reference to "implementation of", *see* General Revisor's Note to article.

In subsection (b)(1)(ii) and (iii) of this section, the defined term "delinquent act[s]" is added to reflect that, in practice, the Fund is used for both victims and witnesses of delinquent acts as well as crimes.

In subsection (c) of this section, the former reference to "[former] §§ 837 through 844 of this subtitle" is deleted as surplusage.

The Criminal Procedure Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that, in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to a State Victims of Crime Fund "in the General Fund of the State" is deleted to conform to § 11–917 of this subtitle (former Art. 27, § 854(j)(2) and (3)), which provides that the Fund is a special continuing, nonlapsing fund.