

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3-314

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter 26 (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 3-315 and 3-319

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter 26 (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 3-314 through 3-321, respectively, of Article – Criminal Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland (As enacted by Chapter 26 (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002) be renumbered to be Section(s) 3-315 through 3-322, respectively.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article – Criminal Law**

3-314.

(A) A PERSON MAY NOT ENGAGE IN A CONTINUING COURSE OF CONDUCT WHICH INCLUDES THREE OR MORE ACTS THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE VIOLATIONS OF § 3-303, § 3-304, § 3-305, § 3-306, OR § 3-307 OF THIS SUBTITLE OVER A PERIOD OF 90 DAYS OR MORE, WITH A VICTIM WHO IS UNDER THE AGE OF 14 YEARS AT ANY TIME DURING THE COURSE OF CONDUCT.

(B) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 30 YEARS.

(2) A SENTENCE IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE SEPARATE FROM AND CONSECUTIVE TO OR CONCURRENT WITH A SENTENCE UNDER § 3-601 OF THIS TITLE.

(C) IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACTS OCCURRED IN VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, THE TRIER OF FACT:

(1) MUST DETERMINE ONLY THAT THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACTS OCCURRED; AND

(2) NEED NOT DETERMINE WHICH ACTS CONSTITUTE THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACTS.