Defined terms: "County" § 1-101 "Person" § 1-101

## 3-703. INDUCING ANOTHER TO GIVE UP COMPENSATION.

## (A) PROHIBITED.

AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE OR OF A COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, BICOUNTY AGENCY, OR MULTICOUNTY AGENCY MAY NOT, BY FORCE, INTIMIDATION, OR THREAT, INDUCE A PERSON EMPLOYED IN WORK FINANCED WHOLLY OR PARTLY BY THE STATE OR BY A COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, BICOUNTY AGENCY, OR MULTICOUNTY AGENCY TO GIVE UP ANY COMPENSATION TO WHICH THE PERSON IS ENTITLED UNDER A CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE.

## (B) PENALTY.

A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 5 YEARS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR BOTH.

## (C) LIMITATION.

A PROSECUTION FOR A CRIME UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE INSTITUTED WITHIN 5 YEARS AFTER THE CRIME WAS COMMITTED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 562D.

In subsection (a) of this section, the term "municipal corporation" is substituted for the former references to a "municipality" to conform to the usage of Md. Constitution, Art. XI-E.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former references to "Baltimore City" are deleted as included in the defined term "county". See § 1-101 of this article.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to a person employed "in any way" is deleted as surplusage.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to any "part of the" compensation is deleted as unnecessary in light of the reference to "any" compensation.

In subsection (b) of this section, the reference to an individual "who violates this section" is added for consistency with other penalty provisions in this subtitle and throughout this article. Similarly, the phrase "is subject to a fine ... or imprisonment" is substituted for the former phrase "shall be fined ... or imprisoned".

Also in subsection (b) of this section, the reference to an individual "on conviction" being subject to a fine or imprisonment is added to state expressly that which was only implied in the former law, and for