

(2) IF A PERSON IS CONVICTED UNDER § 7-104 OF THIS PART AND THIS SECTION FOR THE SAME ACT OR TRANSACTION, THE CONVICTION UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL MERGE FOR SENTENCING PURPOSES INTO THE CONVICTION UNDER § 7-104 OF THIS PART.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 342A.

In subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to the "actual" title owner is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to "the person's aiders or abettors" is deleted in light of the abrogation of the distinction between principals and accessories. See General Revisor's Note to article.

Defined terms: "Motor vehicle" § 7-101
"Person" § 1-101

7-106. NEWSPAPER THEFT.

(A) "NEWSPAPER" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "NEWSPAPER" MEANS A PERIODICAL THAT IS DISTRIBUTED ON A COMPLIMENTARY OR COMPENSATORY BASIS.

(B) PROHIBITED.

A PERSON MAY NOT KNOWINGLY OR WILLFULLY OBTAIN OR EXERT CONTROL THAT IS UNAUTHORIZED OVER NEWSPAPERS WITH THE INTENT TO PREVENT ANOTHER FROM READING THE NEWSPAPERS.

(C) PENALTY.

A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 60 DAYS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$500 OR BOTH.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 345.

In subsection (b) of this section, the reference to "another" is substituted for the former reference to "other individuals" for consistency within this article.

Also in subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to "commit[ing] the offense of theft" is deleted as redundant of the definition of "theft" in § 7-101 of this subtitle.

Defined terms: "Exert control" § 7-101
"Obtain" § 7-101
"Person" § 1-101