

- (1) FIRE ALARM; OR
- (2) CALL FOR AN AMBULANCE OR RESCUE SQUAD.

## (B) PENALTY.

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

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 156.

In subsection (a) of this section, the phrase "make or cause to be made" is substituted for the former phrase "give or cause to be given" for clarity.

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former references to a "telegraph box connected with any fire alarm telegraph or ... telephone or telegraph system, or ... other means or method" and to a "telephone or ... other means or method" are deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former reference to both "fine and imprisonment" is deleted as surplusage and for consistency within this article.

Defined term: "Person" § 1-101

## GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE TO PART

The Criminal Law Article Review Committee notes, for the consideration of the General Assembly, that many of the electronic means of conveying false messages that interfere with governmental operations today are not covered by the provisions revised in this part. Cable equipment, computer networks, and hybrid wireless devices, as examples, are all capable of being used to send false alarms and related information to governmental units. The General Assembly may wish to address the scope of this part in substantive legislation.

9-605. RESERVED.

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## PART II. ALARM SYSTEMS.

9-607. DEFINITIONS.

## (A) IN GENERAL.

IN THIS PART THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection formerly was Art. 27, § 156A(a).

The reference to this "part" is substituted for the former erroneous reference to this "subtitle" to reflect the reorganization of material derived