

A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR BOTH.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 83 and the second sentence of § 85.

In subsection (b) of this section, the phrase "is guilty of a misdemeanor" is added to state expressly that which only was implied in the former law by reference to a "punishable" violation. In this State, any crime that was not a felony at common law and has not been declared a felony by statute is considered to be a misdemeanor. See *State v. Canova*, 278 Md. 483, 490 (1976), *Bowser v. State*, 136 Md. 342, 345 (1920), *Dutton v. State*, 123 Md. 373, 378 (1914), and *Williams v. State*, 4 Md. App. 342, 347 (1968).

Also in subsection (b) of this section, the former phrase "in the discretion of the court" is deleted as implicit in the establishment of maximum penalties.

Defined terms: "Flag" § 10-701

"Person" § 1-101

10-705. CONSTRUCTION OF SUBTITLE.

THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO CARRY OUT ITS GENERAL PURPOSE AND TO MAKE UNIFORM THE LAWS OF THE STATES THAT ENACT IT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 86.

Defined term: "State" § 1-101

10-706. SHORT TITLE.

THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE MARYLAND UNIFORM FLAG LAW.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 87.

The reference to the "Maryland" Uniform Flag Law is added to reflect changes made to this subtitle that were not reflected in the former uniform law recommended by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Defined term: "Flag" § 10-701

GENERAL REVISOR'S NOTE TO SUBTITLE

The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws originally promulgated and recommended the Uniform Flag Law in 1917. It remained a recommended uniform law until 1966, when the National Conference withdrew the uniform law as obsolete. During its history as a uniform law, the Uniform Flag Law was adopted by 17 states, four of which substantially modified it. Only three other