

(b) A person, with the intent to UNLAWFULLY extort [or gain] money, property, or anything of value from another, may not knowingly send or deliver, or make for the purpose of being sent or delivered and part with the possession of, a writing threatening to:

(1) accuse any person of a crime [that may be charged by indictment under the laws of the State] or of anything that, if true, would bring the person into contempt or disrepute; or

(2) (I) [injure the person or property of anyone] CAUSE PHYSICAL INJURY TO A PERSON;

(II) INFLICT EMOTIONAL DISTRESS ON A PERSON;

(III) CAUSE ECONOMIC DAMAGE TO A PERSON; OR

(IV) CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE PROPERTY OF A PERSON.

(c) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment [for not less than 2 years and] not exceeding 10 years OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$10,000 OR BOTH.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved April 27, 2004.

CHAPTER 118

(Senate Bill 355)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law – Resisting or ~~Hindering~~ Interfering with Arrest – ~~Prohibited~~

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from intentionally resisting a lawful arrest; prohibiting a person from intentionally interfering with or fleeing from a police officer who is making or attempting to make a lawful arrest or detention of ~~the person or~~ another person under certain circumstances; ~~authorizing the imposition of a sentence separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence of another crime under certain circumstances~~; providing for the unit of prosecution under this Act; establishing certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to resisting arrest ~~by~~ and interfering with or fleeing from a police officer.

BY adding to

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9-408

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Volume and 2003 Supplement)