

(r) A prosecution for an offense of unlawfully charging or receiving compensation in connection with an adoption under § 5-327 of the Family Law Article shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(s) A prosecution for an offense under § 14-601 of the Health Occupations Article of practicing, attempting to practice, or offering to practice medicine without a license shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(t) A prosecution for an offense under the Maryland Charitable Solicitations Act (Title 6 of the Business Regulation Article) shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(u) A prosecution for an offense under § 5-140, § 5-141, or § 5-143 of the Public Safety Article, relating to straw sales of regulated firearms to prohibited persons or minors and to illegal sales, rentals, transfers, possession, or receipt of regulated firearms, shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(v) A prosecution for a violation of the fish and fisheries provisions of Title 4 of the Natural Resources Article or the wildlife provisions of Title 10 of the Natural Resources Article shall be instituted within 2 years after commission of the offense.

(w) A prosecution under § 7-302 of the Criminal Law Article relating to computer crimes shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(x) A prosecution for an offense under § 3-605 of the Criminal Law Article relating to abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult shall be instituted within 2 years after the offense was committed.

(y) A prosecution for a misdemeanor offense under Title 9 of the Health Occupations Article shall be instituted within 3 years after the offense was committed.

(Z) A PROSECUTION FOR A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE UNDER THE INSURANCE ARTICLE SHALL BE INSTITUTED WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED.

5-107.

[A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 5-106 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A prosecution or suit for a fine, penalty, or forfeiture shall be instituted within one year after the offense was committed.

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

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