

[(4)] (6) (i) "Sexual abuse" means any act that involves sexual molestation or exploitation of a child by a parent or other person who has permanent or temporary care or custody or responsibility for supervision of a child, OR BY ANY HOUSEHOLD OR FAMILY MEMBER.

(ii) "Sexual abuse" includes, but is not limited to:

1. Incest, rape, or sexual offense in any degree;
2. Sodomy; and
3. Unnatural or perverted sexual practices.

(b) (1) A parent or other person who has permanent or temporary care or custody or responsibility for the supervision of a child OR A HOUSEHOLD OR FAMILY MEMBER who causes abuse to the child is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment in the penitentiary not exceeding 15 years.

(2) The sentence imposed under this section may be imposed separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence for any offense based upon the act or acts establishing the abuse.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.

Approved April 30, 1991.

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**CHAPTER 185**

**(House Bill 403)**

AN ACT concerning

**Controlled Dangerous Substances – Subsequent Offenders**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain mandatory penalties to be imposed on a subsequent offender for certain violations of the Controlled Dangerous Substances Act if the prior offense occurred under the laws of the United States, the District of Columbia, or another state.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments  
Section 286(a) and (b)(1) and (2)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments  
Section 286(c), (d), and (e)