

**Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments**

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(f) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, law enforcement officers of THE TOLL FACILITIES POLICE, THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION POLICE, OR any municipality, or county of this State may conduct investigations and otherwise enforce the provisions of §§ 276 through 302 of this article throughout the State without any limitations as to jurisdiction, to the same extent as a police employee of the Maryland State Police. This authority may only be exercised in accordance with regulations adopted by the superintendent of the Maryland State Police. Such regulations are not subject to the provisions of Title 10, Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article.

(2) When acting under the authority granted in this subsection, the following notifications of an investigation or enforcement action shall be made:

(i) When in an incorporated municipality, to the chief of police, if any, or his designee;

(ii) When in a county which has a county police department, to the chief of police or his designee;

(iii) When in a county without a police department, to the sheriff or his designee; [and]

(iv) When in Baltimore City, to the Police Commissioner or the Police Commissioner's designee; AND

(v) WHEN ON ANY PROPERTY OWNED, LEASED, OR OPERATED BY OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION, TO THE RESPECTIVE CHIEF OF POLICE OR THE CHIEF'S DESIGNEE.

(3) When acting under the authority granted in this section, any law enforcement officer shall have all the immunities from liability and exemptions as that of a law enforcement officer of the Maryland State Police in addition to any other immunities and exemptions to which the law enforcement officer may otherwise be entitled. Any law enforcement officers who use the authority granted in this section shall at all times and for all purposes remain an employee of their respective employing agency.

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

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