

selects to perform, under the supervision of State, county, or municipal employees, tasks the Sheriff assigns within the county or any incorporated municipality within the county.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney for Harford County or the Sheriff of Harford County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney for Harford County or the Sheriff of Harford County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

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**CHAPTER 733**

**(House Bill 1178)**

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes - Telecommunications Act**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from obtaining or attempting to obtain telecommunications services by certain means; prohibiting a person from engaging in certain acts concerning counterfeit telecommunications devices, telecommunications devices, and items related to these devices for certain purposes relating to obtaining telecommunications services; prohibiting the possession of electronic serial numbers and mobile identification numbers under certain circumstances; ~~providing for the seizure and disposition of items used in a violation of this Act; prohibiting a person from publishing certain information relating to offenses under this Act with a certain knowledge or intent providing certain exceptions;~~ providing that a violation of this Act may be prosecuted in certain jurisdictions; ~~allowing the interception of wire, oral, and electronic communications relating to offenses under this Act under certain circumstances;~~ providing certain penalties; repealing certain provisions of law relating to obtaining telephone and telegraph service and to cloned wireless telephones; defining certain terms; and generally relating to offenses concerning telecommunications.

BY repealing

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 557A and 557D

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)