

HB0336/903627/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 336
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “circumstances;” insert “requiring an application for a statement of charges to be filed under oath subject to a penalty of perjury;”; in line 13, strike “at a certain time” and substitute “promptly”; and in line 17, after “Assembly;” insert “requiring a court to order a person convicted of making a certain false statement or report to pay restitution and altering the penalty;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 12, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Criminal Law

Section 9–503

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)”.

On page 3, in line 1, after “(i)” insert “**1.**”; and after line 2, insert:

“2. AN APPLICATION FOR A STATEMENT OF CHARGES SHALL BE FILED UNDER OATH SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY OF PERJURY UNDER § 9–101 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.”

On page 4, strike beginning with “**REVIEW**” in line 9 down through “**RECEIPT**” in line 10 and substitute “**PROMPTLY REVIEW THE CASE**”; and in line 13, strike “**CONVERT A SUMMONS TO**” and substitute “**RECALL A SUMMONS AND ISSUE**”.

On page 5, after line 3, insert:

“Article – Criminal Law

9–503.

(a) A person may not make, or cause to be made, a statement or report that the person knows to be false as a whole or in material part to an official or unit of the State or of a county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of the State that a crime has been committed or that a condition imminently dangerous to public safety or health exists, with the intent that the official or unit investigate, consider, or take action in connection with that statement or report.

(b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding [6 months] 1 YEAR or a fine not exceeding \$500 or both.

(c) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IN ADDITION TO ANY PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL ORDER A PERSON CONVICTED OR FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION TO PAY RESTITUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 11, SUBTITLE 6 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.

(2) TITLE 11, SUBTITLE 6 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION THE COURT MAY ORDER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.”.