

CHAPTER 359

(Senate Bill 81)

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel – Maryland Whistleblower Law – Confidentiality of Information Obtained During Investigations of Complaints

FOR the purpose of establishing that information obtained during investigations of complaints conducted under the Maryland Whistleblower Law is confidential within the meaning of certain provisions of law; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Whistleblower Law in the Executive Branch of State government.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 5–314

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

5–314.

INFORMATION OBTAINED AS PART OF AN INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS CONFIDENTIAL WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 6 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any information obtained as part of an investigation of a complaint conducted under Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article that was initiated or completed before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.