

## Chapter 34

(House Bill 117)

AN ACT concerning

### **Real Property – ~~Interference With~~ Obliterating, Damaging, or Removing Property Markers – Penalty Increase**

FOR the purpose of ~~altering~~ increasing the penalty for willfully obliterating, damaging, or removing any stake, marker, monument, or other landmark set in the property of another person by any civil engineer, surveyor, or real estate appraiser or any of their assistants except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the penalty for ~~interfering with~~ obliterating, damaging, or removing property markers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Real Property  
Section 14–111(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

#### **Article – Real Property**

14–111.

(b) Any person who willfully obliterates, damages, or removes any stake, marker, monument, or other landmark set in the property of another person by any civil engineer, surveyor, or real estate appraiser or any of their assistants, except if the stake, marker, monument, or other landmark interferes with the proper use of the property, is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be fined not more than **[\$500] \$2,500**.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

**Approved by the Governor, April 12, 2011.**