§4-A. Crimes and civil violations outside the code

1. Except as provided in section 1, subsection 2, this section becomes effective October 24, 1977. [PL 1981, c. 324, §4 (RPR).]

2.

[PL 1981, c. 324, §5 (RP).]

2-A. A statute outside this code may be expressly designated as a Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D or Class E crime, in which case sentencing for violation of such a statute is governed by the provisions of this code.

[PL 1981, c. 324, §6 (NEW).]

- **3.** In statutes defining crimes which are outside this code and which are not expressly designated as Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D or Class E crimes, the class depends upon the imprisonment penalty that is provided as follows. If the maximum period authorized by the statute defining the crime:
 - A. Exceeds 10 years, the crime is a Class A crime; [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).]
 - B. Exceeds 5 years, but does not exceed 10 years, the crime is a Class B crime; [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).]
 - C. Exceeds 3 years, but does not exceed 5 years, the crime is a Class C crime; [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).]
 - D. Exceeds one year, but does not exceed 3 years, the crime is a Class D crime; and [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).]
- E. Does not exceed one year, the crime is a Class E crime. [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).] [PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW).]

4.

[PL 1985, c. 282, §2 (RP).]

5.

[MRSA T. 17-A §4-A, sub-§5 (RP).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1975, c. 740, §14 (NEW). PL 1977, c. 510, §§15,16 (AMD). PL 1977, c. 564, §84 (AMD). PL 1977, c. 661, §6 (AMD). PL 1981, c. 324, §§4-7 (AMD). PL 1981, c. 698, §91 (AMD). PL 1985, c. 282, §2 (AMD). PL 1991, c. 622, §N2 (AMD).

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