

(3) THE VICTIM WAS A HOSTAGE TAKEN OR ATTEMPTED TO BE TAKEN IN THE COURSE OF A KIDNAPPING OR AN ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP;

(4) THE VICTIM WAS A CHILD ABDUCTED IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE 27 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND;

(5) THE DEFENDANT COMMITTED THE MURDER PURSUANT TO AN AGREEMENT OR CONTRACT TO COMMIT THE MURDER FOR PECUNIARY GAIN;

(6) AT THE TIME OF THE MURDER, THE DEFENDANT WAS UNDER A SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT[.];

(7) THE DEFENDANT COMMITTED MORE THAN ONE OFFENSE OF MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE ARISING OUT OF THE SAME OR SEPARATE INCIDENTS;

(8) THE DEFENDANT COMMITTED THE MURDER WHILE COMMITTING OR ATTEMPTING TO COMMIT ROBBERY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 463 of Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed:

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975, and shall apply only to offenses committed on or after July 1, 1975.

Approved April 22, 1975.

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CHAPTER 253

(House Bill 295)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes and Punishments - Life Imprisonment

FOR the purpose of requiring the imposition of a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment for any person convicted of [[a felony]] certain crimes subsequent to that person having served three separate terms of imprisonment as a result of three prior [[felony]] convictions for one of these