

inn, boardinghouse or hospital or sanitarium, or the representative or agent of such proprietor or manager, shall be treated as presumptive evidence that such departure or removal was fraudulent. Nothing in this section shall apply to or affect the prosecution of any offense which may have been committed prior to June 1, 1939, or the punishment provided for such offense.]

[ 162A.

(a) In Charles County, every recipient of service, food or accommodation from a hotel, motel, inn or lodging house is liable to pay for it within 72 hours of presentation of the bill. Written notice of this liability shall be provided upon registration. Nonpayment within the period prescribed is a cause for ejection.

(b) Any person who willfully obtains any service, food or accommodation from a hotel, motel, inn or lodging house in Charles County with intent to defraud the owner or proprietor thereof is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is subject to a fine of not more than \$100 or imprisonment for not less than one month and not more than three months, or both. Proof that any person, after receipt of the aforesaid notice, absconded or departed the premises without tendering the proper payment, without the knowledge and permission of the owner or proprietor of the premises, or his duly authorized agent, and proof that any person, after receipt of the aforesaid notice and presentation of a proper bill, failed to tender payment for the same without just cause, within the aforesaid prescribed period, shall be presumptive evidence of intent to defraud.]

[ Fraud - Upon Telephone Companies and Other Parties ]

[ 194A.

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to obtain any telephone services, whether local or long distance, or both, from any telephone company, or any firm or private person with intent to cheat or defraud such telephone company, other firm or private person, by installing, rearranging, or tampering with any facilities or equipment, or by any trick, stratagem, impersonation, pretension, falsification of fact, or contrivance, or by any other device or means whatsoever. Any person or persons found guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be imprisoned not exceeding six months or fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both, in the discretion of the court.]

[ Fraud - Upon Cable Television Companies ]

[ 194B.

It is unlawful for any person or persons to obtain any cable television services from any cable television company,