

considered "records of a court" for the purpose of this section and §§9 and 10 and shall be subject to disposal as described above[, provided, however, that]. HOWEVER, the books, accounts, and records pertaining to the financial operations of any agency or department, officers, boards and commissions of the State of Maryland, and of all the clerks of courts, registers of wills, and all collectors of the State taxes of the State of Maryland, including the City of Baltimore, insofar as they affect the collection of State taxes, [shall] MAY not be destroyed until such time as the requirements of Article 40, §§61A to 61E, inclusive, relating to the audit of such books, accounts and records by the State Auditor, shall have been complied with.

10.

(a) [It shall be the duty of each] EACH State agency [to] SHALL develop a continuing program for the economical and efficient management of its records, including the establishment and/or revision of record retention schedules, in order to insure prompt and orderly disposal of records not required by the operations of the agency. Prior to becoming operative all such retention schedules [must] SHALL receive the approval of the Hall of Records Commission.[, but schedules] SCHEDULES providing for the destruction of records [must] also SHALL receive the written approval of the [Board of Public Works] COMMISSION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved April 3, 1978.

CHAPTER 25

(Senate Bill 203)

AN ACT concerning

State Government - Finance Department

FOR the purpose of deleting those provisions of the law relating to the no longer viable Finance Department of State Government; correcting a reference; and deleting a cross-reference.

BY repealing

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and
Administrative Departments
Section 189, 190, 191, 193, 195, and 196, to be under
the amended subtitle "Miscellaneous"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)