

HB0827/592618/1

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 827
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Solomon” and substitute “Solomon, J. Lewis, Moon, Cardin, Grammer, Crutchfield, McComas, Pippy, Arikan, Shetty, and Cox”; in line 2, strike “Juvenile Law” and substitute “Child Abuse and Neglect”; in the same line, strike “Immunity, Services,” and substitute “Services”; strike beginning with “declaring” in line 6 down through “conduct;” in line 7; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 10 down through “trafficking” in line 14 and substitute “establishing the Safe Harbor Regional Navigator Grant Program; specifying the purpose of the program; specifying certain grantees under the program; requiring grants to be awarded in a certain manner; specifying the services coordinated and provided by a grantee”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 21 down through “agreement;” in line 22; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 23 down through “act;” in line 25; and in line 29, strike “and 5–809”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 12, inclusive; in line 15, strike “5–701(v),”; in the same line, strike the second comma; after line 17, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Family Law

Section 5–706(c), (d), (f), and (h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)”;

and strike line 20 in its entirety and substitute “Section 5–706(g)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

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On page 2, in line 31, strike the second “**THE**” and substitute “**ANY APPROPRIATE**”; and in line 32, strike “**§ 5-701**” and substitute “**§ 5-704.4**”.

On page 6, in line 13, strike the second “**THE**” and substitute “**ANY APPROPRIATE**”; and in the same line, after “**NAVIGATOR**” insert “**, AS DEFINED IN § 5-704.4 OF THIS SUBTITLE,**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 2 through 6, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 35 on page 2 through line 9 on page 6, inclusive, and substitute:

“Article – Family Law”.

On page 9, strike in their entirety lines 29 through 32, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, in line 17, after “**(A)**” insert “**(1)**”; and strike beginning with the comma in line 17 down through “**TRAFFICKING**” in line 25 and substitute “**THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.**”

(2) “CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 13-2201 OF THE HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE.

(3) “EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR” MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

(4) “QUALIFIED COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIM SERVICES PROVIDER” MEANS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH:

(I) DEMONSTRATED EXPERTISE PROVIDING DIRECT SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING OR SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUTH;

(II) THE CAPACITY TO PROVIDE VICTIM-CENTERED, TRAUMA-INFORMED CASE MANAGEMENT FOR YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING;

(III) A DEMONSTRATED HISTORY OF WORKING IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED; AND

(IV) THE ABILITY TO COLLABORATE WITH OTHER AGENCIES, INCLUDING LAW ENFORCEMENT, SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS PROGRAMS, CHILD ADVOCACY CENTERS, AND OTHER DIRECT SERVICES PROVIDERS.

(5) “REGIONAL NAVIGATOR” MEANS A PROVIDER OF SERVICES DESIGNATED BY A GRANTEE OF THE SAFE HARBOR REGIONAL NAVIGATOR GRANT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

(6) “SEX TRAFFICKING” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 5-701 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(7) “SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS PROGRAM” MEANS A PROGRAM CERTIFIED BY THE FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED STATE SEXUAL ASSAULT COALITION.

(8) “YOUTH” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 24 YEARS.

(B) (1) THERE IS A SAFE HARBOR REGIONAL NAVIGATOR GRANT PROGRAM.

(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO SUPPORT SERVICES FOR YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING BY:

(I) CREATING AND SUSTAINING PROJECTS TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING THAT ARE VICTIM-CENTERED AND TRAUMA-INFORMED;

(II) FACILITATING AND COORDINATING AMONG LOCAL DEPARTMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES, SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS PROGRAMS, CHILD ADVOCACY PROGRAMS, LOCAL OFFICES OF THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, AND OTHER STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES RESPONDING TO YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING;

(III) ENSURING THAT YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION;

(IV) INCREASING THE STATE'S CAPACITY TO RESPOND TO YOUTH SEX TRAFFICKING; AND

(V) TRAINING PROVIDERS TO APPROPRIATELY IDENTIFY AND SERVE YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING.

(C) A GRANTEE UNDER THE PROGRAM MAY INCLUDE:

(1) A CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER;

(2) A SEXUAL ASSAULT CRISIS PROGRAM; OR

(3) A QUALIFIED COMMUNITY-BASED VICTIM SERVICES PROVIDER.

(D) GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE AWARDED:

(1) TO ENSURE THAT EMERGENCY AND LONG-TERM SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUTH VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING IN EVERY JURISDICTION IN THE STATE BY JANUARY 1, 2022; AND

(2) TO PROVIDE SERVICES IN ONE JURISDICTION OR IN MORE THAN ONE SIMILAR JURISDICTION IN THE SAME REGION”.

On page 6, in line 26, strike “(C)” and substitute “(E)”; and in the same line, strike “REGIONAL NAVIGATOR” and substitute “GRANTEE UNDER THIS SECTION”.

On page 7, in line 4, strike the second “AND”; in line 5, after “SERVICES” insert “;

(7) VICTIM ADVOCACY;

(8) CASE MANAGEMENT; AND

(9) DESIGNATION OF REGIONAL NAVIGATORS”;

in line 7, strike “(F)” and substitute “(H)”; in line 9, strike “REGIONAL NAVIGATORS UNDER THIS SECTION” and substitute “THE SAFE HARBOR REGIONAL NAVIGATOR GRANT PROGRAM”; in lines 6, 10, 27, and 29, strike “(D)”, “(E)”, “(F)”, and “(G)”, respectively, and substitute “(F)”, “(G)”, “(H)”, and “(I)”, respectively; in lines 14 and

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15, strike “**REGIONAL NAVIGATORS**” and substitute “**GRANTEES**”; and in line 16, after “**CHILDREN**” insert “**AND YOUTH**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 9, strike beginning with “**THE**” in line 2 down through “**SERVICES,**” in line 3.