

# HOUSE BILL 910

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Correctional Officers – Minimum Age**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services  
4 to adopt certain regulations establishing a certain minimum age for a  
5 correctional officer hired for employment in any unit within the Division of  
6 Correction; providing that the regulations shall exempt any honorably  
7 discharged veteran of the United States armed forces from the minimum age  
8 requirement; and generally relating to correctional officers within the Division  
9 of Correction.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
11 Article – Correctional Services  
12 Section 2–109  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1999 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Correctional Services**

4 2–109.

5 (a) The Secretary shall adopt regulations for the office of the Secretary.

6 (b) (1) The Secretary shall review regulations proposed by a unit in the  
7 Department.

8 (2) The Secretary may approve, disapprove, or revise regulations  
9 proposed by a unit in the Department.

10 (c) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the  
11 Secretary shall adopt regulations to govern the policies and management of  
12 correctional facilities in the Division of Correction in accordance with Title 10, Subtitle  
13 1 of the State Government Article.

14 (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to a guideline  
15 pertaining to the routine internal management of correctional facilities in the Division  
16 of Correction.

17 (3) ~~THE~~ (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS  
18 PARAGRAPH, THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT PROVIDE FOR  
19 A REQUIREMENT THAT, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2007, A CORRECTIONAL  
20 OFFICER HIRED FOR EMPLOYMENT IN ANY UNIT OF THE DIVISION OF  
21 CORRECTION SHALL BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD.

22 (II) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH  
23 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL EXEMPT ANY HONORABLY DISCHARGED  
24 VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM THE MINIMUM AGE  
25 REQUIREMENT.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 October 1, 2007.