

HOUSE BILL 1140

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By: **Delegate Carter**

Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2011

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Juvenile Detention Facilities – Moratorium**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Public Safety and Correctional
4 Services from planning or constructing a certain detention facility in Baltimore
5 City; prohibiting the planning or construction of any detention facility for
6 juveniles in Baltimore City until there are adequate structures in place and
7 adequate funding dedicated to meet certain needs of juvenile residents of
8 Baltimore City; stating the intention of the General Assembly that all State
9 funding that would have been used to construct or operate a certain facility be
10 redirected for certain purposes; and generally relating to detention facilities in
11 Baltimore City.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Correctional Services

14 Section 5–407

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Correctional Services**

20 **5–407.**

21 **(A) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT PROCEED WITH THE PLANNING OR**
22 **CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROPOSED 180–BED DETENTION FACILITY FOR**
23 **JUVENILES CHARGED AS ADULTS IN BALTIMORE CITY KNOWN AS THE NEW**
24 **YOUTH DETENTION FACILITY.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) A DETENTION FACILITY FOR JUVENILES MAY NOT BE PLANNED OR**
2 **CONSTRUCTED IN BALTIMORE CITY UNTIL ADEQUATE STRUCTURES ARE IN**
3 **PLACE AND ADEQUATE FUNDING IS DEDICATED TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL,**
4 **RECREATIONAL, AND SOCIAL SERVICES NEEDS OF JUVENILE RESIDENTS OF**
5 **BALTIMORE CITY.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intention of the
7 General Assembly that all State funding that would have been used to construct and
8 operate the proposed 180-bed detention facility for juveniles charged as adults in
9 Baltimore City known as the New Youth Detention Facility, in the amount of not less
10 than \$104 million, shall be redirected to Baltimore City schools, and to recreation,
11 mentorship, social services, and other programs and services that support youth and
12 prevent juvenile crime.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2011.