

HOUSE BILL 1201

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By: **Delegate Carter**

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Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – New Youth Detention Facility – Commission on Delinquency**
3 **and Youth Detention Prevention**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Commission on Delinquency and Youth Detention
5 Prevention; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the
6 Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving certain
7 compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses;
8 requiring the Commission to administer a certain fund; requiring the
9 Commission to report allocations from the fund to the Governor and the General
10 Assembly annually on or before a certain date; stating the intent of the General
11 Assembly that all State funding that would have been used to construct and
12 operate the proposed 180–bed detention facility for juvenile offenders charged
13 as adults in Baltimore City known as the New Youth Detention Facility be
14 redirected to the fund administered by the Commission; providing for the
15 termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Commission on
16 Delinquency and Youth Detention Prevention.

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
18 MARYLAND, That:

19 (a) There is a Commission on Delinquency and Youth Detention Prevention.

20 (b) The Commission consists of the following members:

21 (1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
22 President of the Senate;

23 (2) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
24 of the House;

25 (3) the Mayor of Baltimore City, or the Mayor’s designee;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (4) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the
2 Secretary's designee; and

3 (5) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

4 (i) a representative of the Baltimore City School Board;

5 (ii) two members of the clergy serving the Baltimore City
6 community;

7 (iii) two representatives of community organizations providing
8 services to the youth of Baltimore City;

9 (iv) two public school educators from the Baltimore City public
10 schools; and

11 (v) two advocates for Baltimore City youth.

12 (c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Commission.

13 (d) The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall provide
14 staff for the Commission.

15 (e) A member of the Commission:

16 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Commission; but

17 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
18 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

19 (f) The Commission shall administer a community oversight fund and
20 oversee allocations of resources from the fund to projects, facilities, and programs
21 designed to benefit and develop the youth of Baltimore into productive, crime-free,
22 healthy individuals.

23 (g) On or before December 31 of each year, the Commission shall report all
24 allocations of resources from the fund made in the preceding calendar year to the
25 Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the
26 General Assembly.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the
28 General Assembly that all State funding that would have been used to construct and
29 operate the proposed 180-bed detention facility for juvenile offenders charged as
30 adults in Baltimore City, known as the New Youth Detention Facility, in an amount of
31 not less than \$106,000,000, shall be redirected to the community oversight fund
32 administered by the Commission on Delinquency and Youth Detention Prevention.

1 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 10 years and, at the end of
3 September 30, 2023, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
4 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.