SENATE BILL 419

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By: Senators Frosh, Conway, Gladden, Madaleno, Pinsky, Raskin, and Rosapepe

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Civil Actions – Examination in Aid of Enforcement – Procedure After Arrest 3 for Failure to Appear

FOR the purpose of requiring that an individual arrested for failure to appear in court
to show cause why the individual should not be found in contempt for failure to
appear for an examination in aid of enforcement of a money judgment be taken
immediately before a certain court or before a certain judicial officer for a
certain determination; providing for the application of this Act; and generally
relating to arrest for failure to appear in court in response to certain show cause
orders.

- 11 BY adding to
- 12 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 13 Section 6–411
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

19 **6–411.**

20 AN INDIVIDUAL ARRESTED FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR IN COURT TO SHOW 21 CAUSE WHY THE INDIVIDUAL SHOULD NOT BE FOUND IN CONTEMPT FOR 22 FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR AN EXAMINATION IN AID OF ENFORCEMENT OF A 23 MONEY JUDGMENT SHALL BE TAKEN IMMEDIATELY:



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1 (1) IF THE COURT IS IN SESSION, BEFORE THE COURT THAT 2 ISSUED THE ORDER THAT RESULTED IN THE ARREST; OR

3 (2) IF THE COURT IS NOT IN SESSION, BEFORE A JUDICIAL 4 OFFICER OF THE DISTRICT COURT FOR A DETERMINATION OF APPROPRIATE 5 CONDITIONS OF RELEASE TO ENSURE THE INDIVIDUAL'S APPEARANCE AT THE 6 NEXT SESSION OF THE COURT THAT ISSUED THE ORDER THAT RESULTED IN THE 7 ARREST.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to 9 any individual arrested for failure to respond to a show cause order for contempt for 10 failure to appear for an examination in aid of enforcement of a money judgment on or 11 after the effective date of this Act.

12 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 13 October 1, 2013.