# **SENATE BILL 454**

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

### 1 AN ACT concerning

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## 2 Criminal Law – Child Kidnapping and Prostitution – Penalty

- FOR the purpose of reclassifying as a felony a certain offense relating to child kidnapping
  and prostitution involving a child under a certain age; altering the penalty for a
  certain provision of law relating to child kidnapping and prostitution involving an
  individual under a certain age; and generally relating to child kidnapping and
  prostitution.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Criminal Law
- 10 Section 11–305
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 15 Article Criminal Law
- 16 11–305.

17 (a) For purposes of prostitution or committing a crime under Title 3, Subtitle 18 3 of this article, a person may not:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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

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1 (1) persuade or entice or aid in the persuasion or enticement of an 2 individual under the age of 16 years from the individual's home or from the custody of 3 the individual's parent or guardian; or

4 (2) knowingly secrete or harbor or aid in the secreting or harboring of 5 an individual under the age of 16 years who has been persuaded or enticed in the 6 manner described in item (1) of this subsection.

7 (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a [misdemeanor] FELONY 8 and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding [10] **30** years or a fine not 9 exceeding \$5,000 or both.

10 (c) A person who violates this section is subject to § 5–106(b) of the Courts 11 Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effectOctober 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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