

SENATE BILL 1038

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By: **Senators Hershey, Klausmeier, Shank, and Zirkin**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juvenile Law – Truancy Reduction Pilot Programs – Authorized in All**
3 **Counties**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a circuit administrative judge to establish a Truancy
5 Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in any county in the
6 administrative judge’s circuit; requiring the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals
7 to consult with the administrative judges of the counties in which a certain
8 program has been established before accepting a certain gift or grant; and
9 generally relating to Truancy Reduction Pilot Programs.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
12 Section 3–8C–01
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
17 Section 3–8C–02
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

22 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

23 3–8C–01.

24 This subtitle applies only:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) In a county in which the circuit administrative judge has
2 established a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program under § 3-8C-02 of this subtitle; and

3 (2) To the extent that funds are provided in an annual State budget
4 for a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program.

5 3-8C-02.

6 (a) [(1) The Circuit Administrative Judge of the First Circuit may
7 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in one or more of the juvenile courts in
8 Dorchester County, Somerset County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County.

9 (2) The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Second Circuit may
10 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Talbot County.

11 (3) The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Third Circuit may
12 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Harford County.

13 (4) The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Seventh Circuit] **A**
14 **CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE** may establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot
15 Program in the juvenile court in [Prince George's County] **ANY COUNTY IN THE**
16 **ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE'S CIRCUIT.**

17 (b) After consultation with the administrative judges of the [first, second,
18 third, and seventh] circuits **IN WHICH A TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM**
19 **HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED**, the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals may accept a gift
20 or grant to implement the pilot programs in each respective circuit.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 June 1, 2014.