

# SENATE BILL 602

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council in the  
4 Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention; providing for the composition,  
5 chair, and staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving  
6 certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses;  
7 establishing the duties of the Council; requiring the Council to report its interim and  
8 final findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or  
9 before certain dates; and generally relating to the Justice Reinvestment  
10 Coordinating Council.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Public Safety

13 Section 1–601 through 1–605 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Justice  
14 Reinvestment Coordinating Council”

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Public Safety**

20 **SUBTITLE 6. JUSTICE REINVESTMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **1-601.**

2 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
3 INDICATED.

4 (B) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT COORDINATING  
5 COUNCIL.

6 (C) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
7 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

8 (D) "OFFICE" MEANS THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND  
9 PREVENTION.

10 **1-602.**

11 THERE IS A JUSTICE REINVESTMENT COORDINATING COUNCIL IN THE  
12 OFFICE.

13 **1-603.**

14 (A) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

15 (1) THREE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY  
16 THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;

17 (2) THREE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY  
18 THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;

19 (3) THE SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL  
20 SERVICES, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

21 (4) THE SECRETARY OF JUVENILE SERVICES, OR THE SECRETARY'S  
22 DESIGNEE;

23 (5) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MARYLAND, OR THE ATTORNEY  
24 GENERAL'S DESIGNEE;

25 (6) THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OF MARYLAND, OR THE PUBLIC  
26 DEFENDER'S DESIGNEE;

27 (7) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND JUDICIARY, APPOINTED  
28 BY THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS; AND

1           **(8) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE**  
2 **DIRECTOR:**

3           **(I) A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOCAL DETENTION CENTERS**  
4 **RECOMMENDED BY THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES;**

5           **(II) A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT**  
6 **AGENCIES;**

7           **(III) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND STATE'S**  
8 **ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION; AND**

9           **(IV) ANY OTHER MEMBER WITH EXPERTISE RELEVANT TO THE**  
10 **WORK OF THE COUNCIL.**

11           **(B) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.**

12           **(C) THE OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE STAFF FOR THE COUNCIL.**

13           **(D) A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:**

14           **(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE**  
15 **COUNCIL; BUT**

16           **(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE**  
17 **STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS.**

18 **1-604.**

19           **THE COUNCIL SHALL:**

20           **(1) USING A DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH, DEVELOP A STATEWIDE**  
21 **POLICY FRAMEWORK TO REDUCE SPENDING ON CORRECTIONS AND REINVEST IN**  
22 **STRATEGIES TO INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY AND REDUCE RECIDIVISM; AND**

23           **(2) REQUEST TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNCIL OF STATE**  
24 **GOVERNMENTS JUSTICE CENTER AND THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERFORMANCE**  
25 **PROJECT OF THE PEW CENTER ON THE STATES TO DEVELOP THE POLICY**  
26 **FRAMEWORK.**

27 **1-605.**

1           **THE COUNCIL SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH**  
2 **§ 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

3                   **(1) THE INTERIM FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE**  
4 **COUNCIL ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2016; AND**

5                   **(2) THE FINAL FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNCIL**  
6 **ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2017.**

7           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
8 1, 2015.