BY: House Judiciary Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1126</u>
(First Reading File Bill)

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 1</u>

On page 1, in line 2, strike "County – Pretrial Release Program" and substitute "<u>County Pretrial Release, Work Release, and Diversion Programs Task Force</u>"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 4 down through "County" in line 21 and substitute "<u>establishing the Prince George's County Pretrial Release, Work Release, and Diversion Programs Task Force; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor, members of the Prince George's County delegation to the General Assembly, and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Prince George's County Pretrial Release, Work Release, and Diversion Programs Task Force</u>"; and strike in their entirety lines 22 through 28, inclusive.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 3, inclusive; and in line 5, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows".

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 2</u>

On pages 1 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 6 on page 2 through line 7 on page 4 and substitute:

"<u>(a)   There is a Prince George's County Pretrial Release, Work Release, and Diversion Programs Task Force.</u>

<u>(b)   The Task Force consists of the following members:</u>

(Over)

(1)   one member of the Senate of Maryland from Prince George's County, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2)   one member of the House of Delegates from Prince George's County, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3)   the State's Attorney for Prince George's County, or the State's Attorney's designee;

(4)   the Prince George's County Health Officer, or the Health Officer's designee;

(5)   the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, or the Executive Director's designee;

(6)   a representative of Prince George's County Department of Corrections appointed by the Prince George's County Executive; and

(7)   a representative of the Office of the Public Defender in Prince George's County.

(c)   The Senate and House members shall serve as cochairs of the Task Force.

(d)   The Prince George's County Department of Corrections shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e)   A member of the Task Force:

(1)   may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

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

(f)   The Task Force shall:

(1)   study:

(i)   how pretrial release programs, work release programs, and diversion programs in other jurisdictions that offer alternatives to detention are organized and operate;

(ii)   whether the programs would benefit the criminal justice process in Prince George's County;

(iii)   what type of offenders should be eligible for the programs; and

(iv)   what would be required to establish the programs in Prince George's County; and

(2)   make recommendations regarding the establishment of a pretrial release program, work release program, and diversion program in Prince George's County.

(g)   On or before December 1, 2016, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the members of the Prince George's County Delegation to the General Assembly and the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2016. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2017, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".