

SENATE BILL 272

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By: **Senators Carozza, Eckardt, Edwards, and Serafini**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Correctional Facilities – Correctional Officers – Background Check**

3 FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to require the Secretary of Public
4 Safety and Correctional Services to require an individual to pass a polygraph
5 examination or extensive background check, or both, rather than just a polygraph
6 examination, before being appointed to serve as a correctional officer in a correctional
7 facility; making a conforming change; and generally relating to correctional officers.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

9 Article – Correctional Services

10 Section 3–215(f)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Correctional Services**

16 3–215.

17 (f) (1) The Secretary shall require an individual to pass a polygraph
18 examination **OR EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND CHECK, OR BOTH**, before being appointed to
19 serve as a correctional officer in a correctional facility.

20 (2) The Secretary shall adopt regulations governing the administration of
21 the polygraph examination **AND BACKGROUND CHECK** required under paragraph (1) of
22 this subsection.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 October 1, 2019.