

# SENATE BILL 563

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By: **Senator Simonaire**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2020

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission – Use of Handcuffs – Body**  
3 **Attachments Policy**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission,  
5 on or before a certain date, to develop certain written policies to provide guidance to  
6 law enforcement agencies on the appropriate use of handcuffs when taking a person  
7 into custody on a body attachment; requiring each law enforcement agency, on or  
8 before a certain date, to adopt and implement certain written policies developed by  
9 the Commission; and generally relating to the use of handcuffs by law enforcement  
10 officers.

11 BY adding to  
12 Article – Public Safety  
13 Section 3–522  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Public Safety**

19 **3–522.**

20 **(A) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2020, THE MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING**  
21 **AND STANDARDS COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A WRITTEN POLICY ON THE**  
22 **APPROPRIATE USE OF HANDCUFFS WHEN TAKING A PERSON INTO CUSTODY ON A**  
23 **BODY ATTACHMENT AS GUIDANCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE**  
24 **STATE.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2021, EACH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN**  
2 **THE STATE SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE WRITTEN POLICY DEVELOPED BY**  
3 **THE MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION ON THE**  
4 **APPROPRIATE USE OF HANDCUFFS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHEN TAKING**  
5 **A PERSON INTO CUSTODY ON A BODY ATTACHMENT.**

6           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
7 1, 2020.