SENATE BILL 903

By: Senator Smith
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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Immigration Enforcement – Public Schools, Hospitals, and Courthouses – Policies

FOR the purpose of requiring the Attorney General, in consultation with certain stakeholders, to develop guidelines to assist public schools, hospitals, and courthouses to draft policies that limit civil immigration enforcement activities on their premises for a certain purpose; authorizing public schools, hospitals, and courthouses to establish and publish policies that limit immigration enforcement on their premises to the fullest extent possible consistent with federal and State law based on certain guidelines; and generally relating to policies on immigration enforcement by public schools, hospitals, and courthouses.

BY adding to

Article – State Government
Section 6–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

Article – State Government

6–111.

(A) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, IN CONSULTATION WITH APPROPRIATE STAKEHOLDERS, SHALL DEVELOP GUIDELINES TO ASSIST PUBLIC SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, AND COURTHOUSES TO DRAFT POLICIES THAT LIMIT CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES ON THEIR PREMISES IN ORDER TO ENSURE THESE FACILITIES REMAIN SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE TO ALL, REGARDLESS OF

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
IMMIGRATION STATUS.

(B) Public schools, hospitals, and courthouses may establish and publish policies that limit immigration enforcement on their premises to the fullest extent possible consistent with federal and state law based on the guidelines developed by the Attorney General.

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