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By: **Delegate Bartlett** Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2024 Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning					
2	Sex Offenders – Required Registration – Locations					
$\frac{3}{4}$	FOR the purpose of specifying locations at which an individual who is required to register as a sex offender may register; and generally relating to registration of sex offenders.					
5 6 7 8 9	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Criminal Procedure Section 11–707 Annotated Code of Maryland (2018 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)					
$10\\11$	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:					
12	Article – Criminal Procedure					
13	11–707.					
$\begin{array}{c} 14\\ 15\\ 16 \end{array}$	(a) (1) (i) A tier I sex offender and a tier II sex offender shall register in person every 6 months with a local law enforcement unit for the term provided under paragraph (4) of this subsection.					
1718	(ii) Registration shall include a digital image that shall be updated every 6 months.					
19 20 21	(2) (i) A tier III sex offender shall register in person every 3 months with a local law enforcement unit for the term provided under paragraph (4) of this subsection.					
22 23	(ii) Registration shall include a digital image that shall be updated every 6 months.					

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



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$egin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{array}$	(3) (i) A sexually violent predator shall register in person every 3 months with a local law enforcement unit for the term provided under paragraph (4) of this subsection.					
4 5	every 6 mon	ths.	(ii)	Registration shall include a digital image that shall be updated		
6		(4)	Subje	ect to subsection (c) of this section, the term of registration is:		
7			(i)	15 years, if the registrant is a tier I sex offender;		
8			(ii)	25 years, if the registrant is a tier II sex offender;		
9 10	or		(iii)	the life of the registrant, if the registrant is a tier III sex offender;		
11 12 13	(iv) up to 5 years, if the registrant is a person described under 11–704(c)(1) of this subtitle, subject to reduction by the juvenile court on the filing of a petition by the registrant for a reduction in the term of registration.					
$\begin{array}{c} 14\\ 15\\ 16\end{array}$	(5) A registrant who is not a resident of the State shall register for the appropriate time specified in this subsection or until the registrant's employment, student enrollment, or transient status in the State ends.					
17	(b)	Ater	m of re	egistration described in this section shall be computed from:		
18		(1)	the la	ast date of release;		
19		(2)	the d	ate granted probation;		
20		(3)	the d	ate granted a suspended sentence; or		
21 22 23	(4) the date the juvenile court's jurisdiction over the registrant terminates under § 3–8A–07 of the Courts Article if the registrant was a minor who lived in the State at the time the act was committed for which registration is required.					
24 25 26	if, in the 10 years following the date on which the registrant was required to register, the					
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29		(2)	is not	t convicted of any sex offense;		

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1 (3) successfully completes, without revocation, any period of supervised 2 release, parole, or probation; and

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(4) successfully completes an appropriate sex offender treatment program.

4 (D) A PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER UNDER THIS SECTION MAY 5 REGISTER AT ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT, BARRACKS, OR STATION OPERATED BY 6 THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FOR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PERSON IS 7 REQUIRED TO REGISTER.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 9 October 1, 2024.