SENATE BILL 606

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SB 752/23 - JPR

By: Senators Folden, Bailey, Carozza, Corderman, Salling, and Smith

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Police Discipline - Order to Show Cause

- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a police officer who is denied a certain right to apply to the
- 4 circuit court at a certain time for an order that directs the law enforcement agency
- 5 to show cause why the right should not be granted; and generally relating to police
- 6 disciplinary proceedings.
- 7 BY adding to

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- 8 Article Public Safety
- 9 Section 3–113.1
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 14 Article Public Safety
- 15 **3–113.1.**
- 16 (A) AT ANY TIME BEFORE A HEARING IS HELD BY THE HEARING BOARD
- 17 UNDER § 3–106 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A POLICE OFFICER WHO IS DENIED A RIGHT
- 18 GRANTED BY THIS SUBTITLE MAY APPLY TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR AN ORDER
- 19 THAT DIRECTS THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THE RIGHT
- 20 SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED.
- 21 (B) THE POLICE OFFICER SHALL MAKE THE APPLICATION:

- 1 (1) IF THE POLICE OFFICER IS AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTYWIDE OR
- 2 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, TO THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY IN
- 3 WHICH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IS LOCATED; AND
- 4 (2) IF THE POLICE OFFICER IS AN EMPLOYEE OF A STATEWIDE OR
- 5 BICOUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, TO THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ANNE
- 6 ARUNDEL COUNTY.
- 7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 8 October 1, 2024.