St. Mary's County Government

COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY



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Senate Bill 679

Criminal Procedure – Pretrial Release – Reimbursement of Special Condition Costs

Hearing: March 10, 2020

OPPOSE

February 14, 2020

The Honorable William C. Smith, Jr., Chairman Judicial Proceedings Committee 2 East, Miller Senate Office Building 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chairman Smith:

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County OPPOSE Senate Bill 679 – Criminal Procedure – Pretrial Release – Reimbursement of Special Condition Costs - which is being heard on March 10, 2020 in the Judicial Proceedings Committee.

We do not charge offenders a fee on Pre-Trial; however, if there are costs incurred for programming, we do not feel that we should have to reimburse these costs. Therefore, we OPPOSE the introduction of this legislation and do not believe this legislation would benefit the citizens of St. Mary's County. We look forward to working with you on this and other initiatives throughout the session.

Sincerely,

COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY

James Randy Guy, President

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