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By: Calvert County Delegation

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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County - Community Services Alternative Sentencing Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Community Services Alternative Sentencing Program
4 in the Calvert County Department of Public Safety; requiring the Program to
5 administer community service projects for defendants who are convicted of an
6 offense and are referred to the Program by the circuit court or the District Court of
7 Calvert County; authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County
8 to charge a reasonable fee to defendants who participate in the Program to help
9 defray expenses; and generally relating to the Community Services Alternative
10 Sentencing Program in Calvert County.

11 BY adding to

12 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

13 Section 645ZB

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (1996 Replacement Volume)

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

18 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

19 645ZB.

20 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "PROGRAM" MEANS THE COMMUNITY SERVICES
21 ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAM.

22 (B) THERE IS A COMMUNITY SERVICES ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING
23 PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OF CALVERT COUNTY.

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1 (C) THE PROGRAM SHALL ADMINISTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS FOR
2 DEFENDANTS WHO ARE CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE AND ARE REFERRED TO THE
3 PROGRAM BY THE CIRCUIT COURT OR THE DISTRICT COURT OF CALVERT COUNTY.

4 (D) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY MAY
5 CHARGE A REASONABLE FEE TO DEFENDANTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM
6 TO HELP DEFRAY PROGRAM EXPENSES.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 1997.