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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedure - District Court - Exclusive Original Jurisdiction**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the potential term of imprisonment and the potential fines
4 for which the jurisdiction of the District Court is concurrent with that of the circuit
5 court in certain criminal cases; and generally relating to the jurisdiction of the
6 District Court in criminal cases.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9 Section 4-302(d)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 4-302.

16 (d) The jurisdiction of the District Court is concurrent with that of the circuit
17 court in a criminal case:

18 (1) In which the penalty may be confinement for [three] 5 years or more or
19 a fine of [\$2,500] \$30,000 or more; or

20 (2) Which is a felony, as provided in § 4-301(b)(2), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10),
21 and (11) of this subtitle.

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