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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juveniles - Confidentiality of Records**

3 FOR the purpose of modifying a confidentiality requirement pertaining to juvenile police
4 records to allow a law enforcement agency to include certain information
5 concerning an outstanding juvenile warrant in a law enforcement computer
6 information system for the purpose of apprehending a juvenile who is named in a
7 warrant; and generally relating to the confidentiality of juvenile records.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
10 Section 3-828(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

16 3-828.

17 (a) (1) A police record concerning a child is confidential and shall be
18 maintained separate from those of adults. Its contents may not be divulged, by subpoena
19 or otherwise, except by order of the court upon good cause shown or as otherwise
20 provided in § 7-303 of the Education Article.

21 (2) This subsection does not prohibit:

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1 (I) [access] ACCESS to and confidential use of the record by the
2 Department of Juvenile Justice or in the investigation and prosecution of the child by any
3 law enforcement agency; OR

4 (II) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY FROM INCLUDING RELEVANT
5 INFORMATION CONCERNING AN OUTSTANDING JUVENILE WARRANT IN ANY LAW
6 ENFORCEMENT COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF
7 APPREHENDING THE JUVENILE NAMED IN THE WARRANT.

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