
By: **Chairman, Judiciary Committee (Departmental - Public Safety and
Correctional Services)**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Training Commission - Powers and Duties**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying the authority of the Correctional Training Commission
4 to appoint an Executive Director, Deputy Director, and other employees.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments
7 Section 4-301(e)
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

12 **Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments**

13 4-301.

14 (e) Subject to the authority of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional
15 Services, the Commission is vested with the following powers, authority,
16 responsibilities, and duties:

17 (1) To prescribe standards for the approval and the continuation of
18 approval of all schools at which correctional, parole or probation entrance level and
19 in-service training courses required by the Commission shall be conducted including
20 but not limited to present existing State, regional, county and municipal training
21 schools;

22 (2) To approve and issue certificates of approval to such correctional
23 training schools, to inspect such schools from time to time, and to revoke for cause
24 any approval or certificate issued to such school;

25 (3) To prescribe the curriculum, the courses of study, attendance
26 requirements, eligibility to attend, equipment and facilities, and standards of
27 operation for such training schools;

1 (4) To prescribe minimum qualifications for instructors at such schools
2 and to certify, as qualified, instructors for approved training schools and to issue
3 appropriate certificates to such instructors;

4 (5) To certify correctional officers who have satisfactorily completed
5 training programs and to issue appropriate certificates to such correctional officers;

6 (6) To conduct and operate approved correctional training schools as
7 defined in this subtitle;

8 (7) To appoint, with the approval of the Secretary of Public Safety and
9 Correctional Services,[:

10 (i) An] AN Executive Director, [who shall be a special appointment
11 in the State Personnel Management System and shall serve at the pleasure of the
12 Commission, perform general administrative functions, and receive the compensation
13 set by the Commission; and

14 (ii) A] A Deputy Director, and such other employees as it shall
15 deem necessary, to serve at its pleasure, who shall perform general administrative
16 and training management functions, and to fix their compensation;

17 (8) To employ such other persons as may be necessary to carry out the
18 provisions of this section, upon approval of the Secretary of Public Safety and
19 Correctional Services, and as provided for in the State budget;

20 (9) To promulgate with the approval of the Secretary of Public Safety and
21 Correctional Services, such rules and regulations as may be reasonably necessary or
22 appropriate to accomplish the purposes and objectives of this section;

23 (10) To make a continuous study of correctional training methods and
24 procedures for all correctional schools and to consult with and accept the cooperation
25 of any recognized federal, State, or municipal correctional agency or educational
26 institution;

27 (11) To consult and cooperate with universities, colleges and institutions
28 for the development of all general and specialized courses of study for correctional
29 officers as defined in this section;

30 (12) To consult and cooperate with other departments and agencies of the
31 State concerned with correctional training;

32 (13) To adopt regulations to establish and enforce standards for prior
33 substance abuse by persons applying for certification as a correctional officer; and

34 (14) To perform such other acts as may be necessary or appropriate to
35 carry out its functions and duties as set forth in this section.

36 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
37 effect October 1, 1998.

