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By: **Chairman, Judiciary Committee (Departmental - Juvenile Justice) and  
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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

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**Juvenile Justice Act of 1998**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; establishing certain~~  
4 ~~exceptions;~~ modifying juvenile confidentiality requirements pertaining to  
5 certain records; permitting law enforcement agencies to include certain juvenile  
6 record information in law enforcement computer information systems for certain  
7 purposes; requiring the juvenile court to report certain juvenile record  
8 information to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository;  
9 establishing a Commission on Juvenile Justice Jurisdiction; establishing the  
10 duties and responsibilities, membership, reporting requirements, and the  
11 termination of the Commission; providing that certain organizations are eligible  
12 to receive Juvenile Justice Facilities Capital Program funds; and generally  
13 relating to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and the juvenile justice system.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
16 Section ~~3-804, 3-806, and~~ 3-828(a) and (b)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
20 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
21 Section 743(a)  
22 Annotated Code of Maryland  
23 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
2 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
3 Section 743(e) and (f), 747(a), and 750A  
4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article 83C - Juvenile Justice  
8 Section 4-101(d)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

11 BY adding to  
12 Article 83C - Juvenile Justice  
13 Section 2-133  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

18 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

19 ~~3-804.~~

20 (a) ~~The court has exclusive original jurisdiction over:~~

21 (1) ~~A child alleged to be delinquent, in need of supervision, in need of~~  
22 ~~assistance or who has received a citation for a violation; and~~

23 (2) ~~With respect to any child who is under the jurisdiction of the juvenile~~  
24 ~~court and previously has been adjudicated a child in need of assistance, all~~  
25 ~~termination of parental rights proceedings and related adoption proceedings.~~

26 (b) ~~The court has exclusive original jurisdiction over proceedings arising~~  
27 ~~under the Interstate Compact on Juveniles.~~

28 (c) ~~The court has concurrent jurisdiction over proceedings against an adult for~~  
29 ~~the violation of § 3-831 of this subtitle. However, the court may waive its jurisdiction~~  
30 ~~under this subsection upon its own motion or upon the motion of any party to the~~  
31 ~~proceeding, if charges against the adult arising from the same incident are pending in~~  
32 ~~the criminal court. Upon motion by either the State's Attorney or the adult charged~~  
33 ~~under § 3-831, the court shall waive its jurisdiction, and the adult shall be tried in the~~  
34 ~~criminal court according to the usual criminal procedure.~~

1 (d) The jurisdiction of the court is concurrent with that of the District Court in  
 2 any criminal case arising under the compulsory public school attendance laws of this  
 3 State.

4 (e) The court does not have jurisdiction over:

5 (1) A child at least 14 years old alleged to have done an act which, if  
 6 committed by an adult, would be a crime punishable by death or life imprisonment, as  
 7 well as all other charges against the child arising out of the same incident, unless an  
 8 order removing the proceeding to the court has been filed under Article 27, § 594A of  
 9 the Code;

10 (2) A child at least 16 years old alleged to have done an act in violation of  
 11 any provision of the Transportation Article or other traffic law or ordinance, except an  
 12 act that prescribes a penalty of incarceration;

13 (3) A child at least 16 years old alleged to have done an act in violation of  
 14 any provision of law, rule, or regulation governing the use or operation of a boat,  
 15 except an act that prescribes a penalty of incarceration; [or]

16 (4) A child at least 16 years old alleged to have committed any of the  
 17 following crimes, as well as all other charges against the child arising out of the same  
 18 incident, unless an order removing the proceeding to the court has been filed under  
 19 Article 27, § 594A of the Code:

20 (i) Abduction;

21 (ii) Kidnapping;

22 (iii) Second degree murder;

23 (iv) Manslaughter, except involuntary manslaughter;

24 (v) Second degree rape;

25 (vi) Robbery with a dangerous or deadly weapon;

26 (vii) Second degree sexual offense in violation of Article 27, §  
 27 464A(a)(1) of the Code;

28 (viii) Third degree sexual offense in violation of Article 27, §  
 29 464B(a)(1) of the Code;

30 (ix) A crime in violation of Article 27, § 36B, § 373, § 374, § 445, §  
 31 446, or § 481C of the Code;

32 (x) Using, wearing, carrying, or transporting of firearm during and  
 33 in relation to a drug trafficking crime in violation of Article 27, § 281A of the Code;

34 (xi) Use of a firearm in violation of Article 27, § 291A of the Code;

1 (xii) Carjacking or armed carjacking in violation of Article 27, § 348A  
2 of the Code;

3 (xiii) Assault in the first degree in violation of Article 27, § 12A-1 of  
4 the Code;

5 (xiv) Attempted murder in the second degree in violation of Article  
6 27, § 411A of the Code;

7 (xv) Attempted rape or attempted sexual offense in the second  
8 degree under Article 27, § 464F of the Code; or

9 (xvi) Attempted robbery with a dangerous or deadly weapon under  
10 Article 27, § 488 of the Code; OR

11 (5) ~~THE SUBSEQUENT ACTS OF A CHILD WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED AS~~  
12 ~~AN ADULT OF A CRIME OTHER THAN:~~

13 (I) ~~A VIOLATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OR OTHER~~  
14 ~~TRAFFIC LAW OR ORDINANCE FOR WHICH A PENALTY OF INCARCERATION IS NOT~~  
15 ~~AUTHORIZED; OR~~

16 (II) ~~A VIOLATION OF ANY LAW GOVERNING THE USE OR OPERATION~~  
17 ~~OF A BOAT FOR WHICH A PENALTY OF INCARCERATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED.~~

18 (f) ~~If the child is charged with two or more violations of the Maryland Vehicle~~  
19 ~~Law, another traffic law or ordinance, or the State Boat Act, allegedly arising out of~~  
20 ~~the same incident and which would result in the child being brought before both the~~  
21 ~~court and a court exercising criminal jurisdiction, the court has exclusive jurisdiction~~  
22 ~~over all of the charges.~~

23 ~~3-806.~~

24 (a) ~~If the court obtains jurisdiction over a child, that jurisdiction continues~~  
25 ~~until that person reaches 21 years of age unless terminated sooner.~~

26 (b) ~~This section does not affect the jurisdiction of other courts over a person~~  
27 ~~who commits an offense after he reaches the age of 18.~~

28 (c) ~~Unless otherwise ordered by the court, the court's jurisdiction is~~  
29 ~~terminated over a person who has reached 18 years of age when he is convicted of a~~  
30 ~~crime, including manslaughter by automobile, unauthorized use or occupancy of a~~  
31 ~~motor vehicle, or operating a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquors~~  
32 ~~or drugs, but excluding a conviction for a violation of any other traffic law or~~  
33 ~~ordinance or any provision of the State Boat Act, or the fish and wildlife laws of the~~  
34 ~~State.~~

35 (d) ~~FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT CRIMINAL ACT, THE COURT'S JURISDICTION IS~~  
36 ~~TERMINATED OVER A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CONVICTED AS AN ADULT OF A CRIME~~  
37 ~~OTHER THAN:~~

1           (1)     ~~A VIOLATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE OR OTHER TRAFFIC~~  
2 ~~LAW OR ORDINANCE FOR WHICH A PENALTY OF INCARCERATION IS NOT~~  
3 ~~AUTHORIZED; OR~~

4           (2)     ~~A VIOLATION OF ANY LAW GOVERNING THE USE OR OPERATION OF A~~  
5 ~~BOAT FOR WHICH A PENALTY OF INCARCERATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED.~~

6     (E)     ~~If the court in a child in need of assistance proceeding places a child in the~~  
7 ~~care and custody of a person other than the parent, guardian, or custodian who had~~  
8 ~~custody at the time the petition is filed, the custody order of the court shall continue~~  
9 ~~after the termination of the child in need of assistance proceeding unless:~~

10           (1)     ~~The custody order is terminated by the court; or~~

11           (2)     ~~The custody order is modified by an order of any other court with~~  
12 ~~jurisdiction.~~

13 3-828.

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

18           (2)     This subsection does not prohibit:

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

22                     (II)     A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OF THE STATE OR OF A  
23 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION  
24 SYSTEM FROM INCLUDING, IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMPUTER INFORMATION  
25 SYSTEM, INFORMATION ABOUT AN OUTSTANDING JUVENILE COURT ORDERED WRIT  
26 OF ATTACHMENT, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF APPREHENDING A CHILD NAMED IN  
27 THE WRIT.

28     (b)     (1)     A court record pertaining to a child is confidential and its contents  
29 may not be divulged, by subpoena or otherwise, except by order of the court upon good  
30 cause shown or as provided in § 7-303 of the Education Article.

31           (2)     This subsection does not prohibit access to and the use of the court  
32 record or fingerprints of a child described under the Criminal Justice Information  
33 System subtitle of Article 27 of the Code in a proceeding in the court involving the  
34 child, by personnel of the court, the State's Attorney, counsel for the child, a  
35 court-appointed special advocate for the child, or authorized personnel of the  
36 Department of Juvenile Justice, or, in a proceeding involving a child alleged to be in  
37 need of assistance, by authorized personnel of the Social Services Administration and  
38 local departments of social services of the Department of Human Resources in order

1 to conduct a child abuse or neglect investigation or to comply with requirements  
2 imposed under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act.

3 (3) Information obtained from a juvenile court record by authorized  
4 personnel of the Department of Human Resources under paragraph (2) of this  
5 subsection is subject to the provisions of Article 88A, § 6 of the Code.

6 (4) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, this  
7 subsection does not prohibit access to and confidential use of the court record or  
8 fingerprints of a child described under the Criminal Justice Information System  
9 subtitle of Article 27 of the Code in an investigation and prosecution by a law  
10 enforcement agency.

11 (ii) The court record or fingerprints of a child described under  
12 Article 27, §§ 747(a)(21) AND (22) and 747A of the Code may not be disclosed to:

13 1. A federal criminal justice agency or information center; or

14 2. Any law enforcement agency other than a law enforcement  
15 agency of the State or a political subdivision of the State.

16 (5) (i) This subsection does not prohibit access to and use of a court  
17 record by a judicial officer who is authorized under the Maryland Rules to determine  
18 a defendant's eligibility for pretrial release, counsel for the defendant, or the State's  
19 Attorney if:

20 1. The individual who is the subject of the court record is  
21 charged as an adult with an offense;

22 2. The access to and use of the court record is strictly limited  
23 for the purpose of determining the defendant's eligibility for pretrial release; and

24 3. The court record concerns an adjudication of delinquency  
25 that occurred within 3 years of the date the individual is charged as an adult.

26 (ii) The Court of Appeals may adopt rules to implement the  
27 provisions of this paragraph.

## 28 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

29 743.

30 (a) As used in this subtitle, the following words have the meanings indicated.

31 (e) "Criminal history record information" means data initiated or collected by  
32 a criminal justice agency on a person pertaining to a reportable event and includes  
33 data from an agency that is required to report to the central repository under Title 12  
34 of the Health - General Article. The term does not include:

1 (1) Data contained in intelligence or investigatory files or police  
2 work-product records used solely for police investigation purposes;

3 (2) Data pertaining to a proceeding under Subtitle 8 of Title 3 of the  
4 Courts Article (Juvenile Causes), but it does include:

5 (i) Data pertaining to a person following waiver of jurisdiction by a  
6 juvenile court; and

7 (ii) Information described under § 747(a)(21) AND (22) and § 747A of  
8 this subtitle;

9 (3) Wanted posters, police blotter entries, court records of public judicial  
10 proceedings, or published court opinions;

11 (4) Data pertaining to violations of the traffic laws of the State or any  
12 other traffic law, ordinance, or regulation, or violations of any local ordinances, or any  
13 State or local regulations, or violations of the Natural Resources Article or public local  
14 laws;

15 (5) Data concerning the point system established by the Motor Vehicle  
16 Administration in accordance with the provisions of Title 16 of the Transportation  
17 Article; or

18 (6) Presentence investigation and other reports prepared by a probation  
19 department for use by a court in the exercise of criminal jurisdiction or by the  
20 Governor in the exercise of his power of pardon, reprieve, commutation, or nolle  
21 prosequi.

22 (f) "Criminal justice agency" means any government agency or subunit of any  
23 such agency which is authorized by law to exercise the power of arrest, detention,  
24 prosecution, adjudication, correctional supervision, custodial treatment or  
25 confinement under Title 12 of the Health - General Article, rehabilitation, or release  
26 of persons suspected, charged, or convicted of a crime or relieved of criminal  
27 punishment by a verdict of not criminally responsible, or is responsible for criminal  
28 identification activities and the collection, storage, and dissemination of criminal  
29 history record information, and which allocates a substantial portion of its annual  
30 budget to any of these functions. The term does not include the Department of  
31 Juvenile Justice or a juvenile court, except as provided under § 747(a)(21) AND (22)  
32 and § 747A of this subtitle, but it does include the following agencies, when exercising  
33 jurisdiction over criminal matters or alternative dispositions of criminal matters, or  
34 criminal history record information:

35 (1) State, county, and municipal police departments and agencies,  
36 sheriffs' offices, correctional facilities, jails, and detention centers;

37 (2) Any agency required to report to the central repository under §  
38 12-107 or § 12-112 of the Health - General Article;

1 (3) The offices of the Attorney General, the State's Attorneys, and any  
2 other person authorized by law to prosecute persons accused of criminal offenses; or

3 (4) The Administrative Office of the Courts, the Court of Appeals, the  
4 Court of Special Appeals, the circuit courts, the District Court of Maryland, and the  
5 offices of the clerks of these courts.

6 747.

7 (a) The following events are reportable events under this subtitle:

8 (1) Issuance or withdrawal of an arrest warrant;

9 (2) An arrest;

10 (3) Release of a person after arrest without the filing of a charge;

11 (4) Presentment of an indictment, filing of a criminal information, or  
12 filing of a statement of charges after arrest;

13 (5) A release pending trial or appeal;

14 (6) Commitment to a place of pretrial detention;

15 (7) Dismissal or quashing of an indictment or criminal information;

16 (8) A nolle prosequi;

17 (9) Placement of a charge on the stet docket;

18 (10) An acquittal, conviction, verdict of not criminally responsible, or  
19 other disposition at or following trial, including a finding of probation before  
20 judgment;

21 (11) Imposition of a sentence;

22 (12) Commitment to a correctional facility, whether State or locally  
23 operated;

24 (13) Commitment to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene  
25 under § 12-105 or § 12-111 of the Health - General Article as incompetent to stand  
26 trial or not criminally responsible;

27 (14) Release from detention or confinement;

28 (15) Conditional release, revocation of conditional release, or discharge of  
29 an individual committed to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as  
30 incompetent to stand trial or as not criminally responsible;

31 (16) An escape from confinement, or escape from commitment;



- 1 (17) A pardon, reprieve, commutation of sentence, or other change in a  
2 sentence, including a change ordered by a court;
- 3 (18) Entry of an appeal to an appellate court;
- 4 (19) Judgment of an appellate court;
- 5 (20) Order of a court in a collateral proceeding that affects a person's  
6 conviction, sentence, or confinement;
- 7 (21) An adjudication of a child as delinquent:
- 8 (i) If the child is at least 14 years old, for an act described in §  
9 3-804(e)(1) of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article; and
- 10 (ii) If the child is at least 16 years old, for an act described in §  
11 3-804(e)(4) or (5) of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article; [and]
- 12 (22) ISSUANCE OR WITHDRAWAL OF A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT BY A  
13 JUVENILE COURT; AND
- 14 (23) Any other event arising out of or occurring during the course of  
15 criminal justice proceedings declared to be reportable by rule or regulation of the  
16 Secretary or the Court of Appeals.

17 750A.

18 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, notwithstanding any  
19 other provision of this subtitle, no record may be maintained or disseminated in a  
20 manner inconsistent with the provisions of § 3-828 of the Courts and Judicial  
21 Proceedings Article.

22 (b) Notwithstanding § 3-828(a) of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article,  
23 a reportable event described under § 747(a)(21) AND (22) of this subtitle and  
24 fingerprinting of a child required under § 747A of this subtitle need not be maintained  
25 separate and apart from those of adults.

26 **Article 83C - Juvenile Justice**

27 4-101.

28 (d) "Juvenile program" means any:

29 (1) Program that:

30 (i) Meets the definition in §§ 2-120 and 2-121 of this article; and

31 (ii) Provides residential services to youth placed by the

32 Department; or

1 (2) Nonresidential program that provides educational, vocational,  
2 recreational, counseling, or other day services under contract to the [Department]  
3 STATE.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
5 read as follows:

6 **Article 83C - Juvenile Justice**

7 2-133.

8 (A) THERE IS A COMMISSION ON JUVENILE JUSTICE JURISDICTION IN THE  
9 DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE.

10 (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION ON JUVENILE JUSTICE JURISDICTION  
11 SHALL BE TO:

12 (1) CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF RECENT CHANGES IN JUVENILE COURT  
13 JURISDICTION ON:

14 (I) THE RESPECTIVE CASELOADS OF JUVENILE COURTS AND  
15 ADULT CRIMINAL COURTS;

16 (II) THE LEVEL AND INCIDENCE OF CRIMES AND DELINQUENT  
17 ACTS COMMITTED BY YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS; AND

18 (III) SERVICES PROVIDED BY PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES;

19 (2) UTILIZE RESOURCES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT TO STUDY AND  
20 DOCUMENT THE EFFECTS OF:

21 (I) EXISTING AND ALTERNATIVE SANCTION MECHANISMS;

22 (II) INCENTIVES AND SYSTEMS OF INCENTIVE;

23 (III) JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS AND  
24 WHAT EFFECT THEY MIGHT HAVE ON RECIDIVISM; AND

25 (IV) EDUCATION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES PROVIDED TO  
26 YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS;

27 (3) CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF ANY CHANGES IN FEDERAL JUVENILE  
28 JUSTICE LAW OR JURISDICTION;

29 (4) RECOMMEND AND PROPOSE FEASIBLE STRATEGIES AND AVENUES  
30 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, ELSEWHERE IN STATE GOVERNMENT, AND IN THE  
31 PRIVATE AND NONPROFIT SECTORS, THAT MIGHT LIMIT CRIMES AND DELINQUENT  
32 ACTS BY YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS; AND

33 (5) PROVIDE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
34 CHANGES TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE JUVENILE COURT.

1 (C) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF:

2 (1) THE SECRETARY OF JUVENILE JUSTICE;

3 ~~(2) THE SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES;~~

4 ~~(3)~~ (2) THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN RESOURCES;

5 ~~(4)~~ (3) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS;

6 ~~(5)~~ (4) THE SPECIAL SECRETARY FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND  
7 FAMILIES;

8 ~~(6) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL;~~

9 ~~(7)~~ (5) THE SECRETARY OF STATE POLICE;

10 ~~(8)~~ (6) THE CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER;

11 ~~(9)~~ (7) TWO MEMBERS OF THE STATE JUDICIARY SELECTED BY THE  
12 CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS;

13 ~~(10)~~ (8) ~~TWO~~ THREE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND  
14 SELECTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;

15 ~~(11)~~ (9) ~~TWO~~ THREE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES  
16 SELECTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; AND

17 ~~(12)~~ (10) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS SELECTED BY THE SECRETARY OF  
18 JUVENILE JUSTICE:

19 (I) THE CHIEF OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT ~~IN A MAJOR~~  
20 ~~METROPOLITAN AREA~~ OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE;

21 (II) THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF A COUNTY ~~IN A MAJOR~~  
22 ~~METROPOLITAN AREA;~~

23 (III) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A VICTIM'S ADVOCACY GROUP;

24 (IV) ~~A PERSON WITH A BACKGROUND IN CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE~~  
25 ~~JUSTICE WHO IS A RECOGNIZED EXPERT IN THE FIELD WHO IS A RECOGNIZED CHILD~~  
26 ADVOCATE WITH EXPERIENCE IN JUVENILE JUSTICE; AND

27 (V) ~~A PERSON FAMILIAR WITH~~ COMPUTER SYSTEMS OR DATA  
28 PROCESSING EXPERT.

29 (D) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION MAY ELECT TO SERVE PERSONALLY  
30 ON THE COMMISSION OR MAY DESIGNATE A MEMBER OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICE,  
31 DEPARTMENT, OR AGENCY TO REPRESENT THEM AND TO ACT FOR THEM TO THE  
32 SAME EFFECT AS IF THEY WERE PRESENT.

1 (E) (1) THE SECRETARY OF JUVENILE JUSTICE SHALL SERVE AS THE  
2 CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION.

3 (2) FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS, THE COMMISSION AT ITS INITIAL  
4 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING SHALL ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN.

5 (F) THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT THE TIMES THAT THE CHAIRMAN  
6 DETERMINES.

7 (G) A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION:

8 (1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION; BUT

9 (2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE  
10 STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

11 (H) STAFF SUPPORT FOR THE COMMISSION SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE  
12 DEPARTMENT.

13 (I) ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2000, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT ON  
14 THE RESULTS OF ITS INVESTIGATION AND STUDY, TOGETHER WITH ANY RESULTING  
15 POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS, TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE  
16 STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

17 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act  
18 shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2000,  
19 with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 2 of this Act shall be  
20 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

21 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
22 effect October 1, 1998.