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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **University of Maryland Police Force**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that allows the use of a campus security
4 force or building guards instead of a campus police force at a constituent
5 institution of the University of Maryland.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Education
8 Section 13-601
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

13 **Article - Education**

14 13-601.

15 (a) There is a University of Maryland Police Force.

16 (b) (1) A University of Maryland police officer is and has all the powers of a
17 peace and police officer in this State.

18 (2) However, a University of Maryland police officer may exercise these
19 powers only on property that is owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the
20 University of Maryland. The police officer may not exercise these powers on any other
21 property unless:

22 (i) Engaged in fresh pursuit of a suspected offender;

23 (ii) Requested or authorized to do so by the chief executive officer or
24 chief police officer of any county;

1 (iii) Necessary in order to facilitate the orderly flow of traffic to and
2 from property owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the University of
3 Maryland; or

4 (iv) Ordered to do so by the Governor.

5 (c) (1) In consultation with the Secretary of the State Police and the
6 Maryland Police Training Commission, the Board of Regents shall adopt standards,
7 qualifications, and prerequisites of character, training, education, human and public
8 relations, and experience for University of Maryland police officers, including
9 standards for the performance of their duties.

10 (2) To the extent practicable, the Board shall adopt standards that are
11 similar to the standards adopted for the Department of State Police.

12 (3) Standards adopted on or after July 1, 1975, on minimum hiring
13 qualifications of University of Maryland police officers may not affect the status of
14 any individual who was a qualified University of Maryland police officer on that date.

15 (d) The Board of Regents shall adopt rules and regulations governing the
16 operation and conduct of the University of Maryland Police Force and of University of
17 Maryland police officers.

18 [(e) The Board of Regents may authorize the presidents of the constituent
19 institutions to make use of a campus security force or building guards instead of a
20 campus police force.]

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 July 1, 1998.