
By: **Charles County Delegation**

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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Officers - County and Municipal Facilities - Power to Make**
3 **Arrests**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a sheriff, who is acting as the head administrative
5 officer of a county correctional facility, to designate correctional officers
6 employed by the facility to have the power to make arrests; and generally
7 relating to the power of correctional officers in county and municipal facilities to
8 make arrests.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
11 Section 594B(q)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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15 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
16 Section 684B
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

2 594B.

3 (q) Correctional officers designated by the head administrative officer of a
4 county or municipal correctional facility under § 684B of this article have the same
5 powers of arrest for individuals on the property of the facility as are set forth in this
6 section for police officers.

7 684B.

8 (a) [Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, and subject] SUBJECT
9 to subsection (b) of this section, the head administrative officer of a county or
10 municipal correctional facility may designate correctional officers employed by the
11 facility to have the power to make arrests as authorized by § 594B(q) of this article.

12 (b) Correctional officers empowered to make arrests under § 594B(q) of this
13 article shall meet the minimum qualifications, and satisfactorily complete the
14 training, required by the Maryland Police Training Commission.

15 [(c) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to a sheriff who acts as a head
16 administrative officer of a county correctional facility.]

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