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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Courts - Civil Actions by Offenders - Limitations on Recovery**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting an individual from recovering damages in certain civil
4 actions if the individual's damages were in any way proximately caused by the
5 individual's commission of or flight from certain crimes.

6 BY adding to

7 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

8 Section 5-806

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (1995 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 - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

14 5-806.

15 AN INDIVIDUAL CONVICTED OF A FELONY MAY NOT RECOVER ANY DAMAGES IN
16 A CIVIL ACTION BASED ON NEGLIGENCE IF THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMISSION OF THAT
17 FELONY, OR IMMEDIATE FLIGHT FROM IT, IN ANY WAY PROXIMATELY CAUSED THE
18 INDIVIDUAL'S INJURIES.

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