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By: **Senator Stone**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Courts - District Court Facilities in Baltimore County**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a certain termination date for the requirement that a  
4 District Court facility be located in the Dundalk area of Baltimore County; and  
5 generally relating to the availability of the services of the District Court of  
6 Maryland in District 8.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 1-603(d)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Chapter 320 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993, as amended by  
14 Chapter 566 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996 and Chapter 14 of  
15 the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997  
16 Section 2

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

1 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

2 1-603.

3 (d) To assure that the services of the District Court are readily and practicably  
4 available in all areas of District 8, subject to the time [limits] LIMIT contained in  
5 ITEM (5) OF this subsection, and to assure that these services are provided to all  
6 citizens of District 8 with a minimum of inconvenience and a maximum of availability,  
7 there shall be a court facility physically located in each of the following areas of that  
8 district, and at least one judge shall sit regularly in each location:

- 9 (1) The Towson area;
- 10 (2) The Catonsville area;
- 11 (3) The Dundalk area [until June 30, 1999];
- 12 (4) The Essex area; and
- 13 (5) The Owings Mills area until June 30, 1999.

14 **Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 566 of the Acts of**  
15 **1996 and Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1997**

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, Notwithstanding the  
17 provisions of any other law, including Section 1(3), Item 23.05.02(F) of Chapter 4 of  
18 the Laws of Maryland, First Extraordinary Session, 1992 and Section 2, of Chapter  
19 421 of the Laws of Maryland, 1990, it is the intent of the General Assembly that  
20 District Court facilities be located [in] IN: (1) the Dundalk area of Baltimore County  
21 [until June 30, 1999 and]; AND (2) THE Owings Mills area of Baltimore County until  
22 June 30, 1999.

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