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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Parole of Inmates - Prohibition - Felony Offenses**

3 FOR the purpose of making certain persons who are confined for criminal offenses
4 committed on or after a certain date ineligible for parole; making certain
5 persons ineligible for predetermined parole release agreements; prohibiting the
6 Maryland Parole Commission and the Patuxent Institution Board of Review
7 from granting parole to certain inmates; and generally relating to parole
8 eligibility for persons confined for felony offenses committed on or after a certain
9 date.

10 BY adding to

11 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
12 Section 700G(e)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

15 BY adding to

16 Article 31B - Patuxent Institution
17 Section 11(f)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

20 BY adding to

21 Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments
22 Section 4-516(e) and 4-520
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

2 700G.

3 (E) AN INMATE WHO IS CONFINED FOR A FELONY OFFENSE COMMITTED ON
4 OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998 IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR RELEASE UNDER THIS SECTION.

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Article 31B - Patuxent Institution

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7 (F) A PERSON CONFINED AT THE INSTITUTION FOR A FELONY OFFENSE
8 COMMITTED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998 MAY NOT BE PAROLED UNDER THE
9 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

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Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments

11 4-516.

12 (E) A PERSON WHO IS CONFINED FOR A FELONY OFFENSE COMMITTED ON OR
13 AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998 IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE UNDER THIS SECTION.

14 4-520.

15 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE MARYLAND PAROLE
16 COMMISSION MAY NOT PAROLE OR OTHERWISE RELEASE FROM CONFINEMENT A
17 PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CONFINED FOR A FELONY OFFENSE COMMITTED ON OR
18 AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998.

19 (B) A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CONFINED FOR A FELONY OFFENSE
20 COMMITTED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1998 MAY PETITION FOR AND BE GRANTED
21 PAROLE IF THE PERSON:

22 (1) IS AT LEAST 65 YEARS OF AGE; AND

23 (2) HAS SERVED AT LEAST 80 PERCENT OF THE PERSON'S TERM OF
24 CONFINEMENT.

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