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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Circuit Court Masters - Power to Regulate Proceedings - Detainment of**
3 **Litigant**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a circuit court master to detain certain individuals;
5 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the powers of
6 circuit court masters.

7 BY adding to
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9 Section 2-510
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1998 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 2-510.

16 THE POWER OF A CIRCUIT COURT MASTER TO REGULATE PROCEEDINGS UNDER
17 MARYLAND RULE 2-541(C) INCLUDES THE POWER TO DETAIN A LITIGANT PENDING
18 JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THE MASTER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR IMMEDIATE
19 INCARCERATION.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be
21 construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect
22 on or application to any hearing before a circuit court master before the effective date
23 of this Act.

24 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 June 1, 1999.