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By: **Delegate Menes**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedure - Release Pretrial**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to issue a bench warrant for the arrest of a
4 defendant charged with a criminal offense who violates a condition of release
5 pretrial, ~~including a condition imposed by a pretrial release agency~~; authorizing
6 a court to take certain actions against certain defendants; and generally relating
7 to release pretrial.

8 BY adding to
9 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
10 Section 616 1/2(n)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

15 **Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

16 616 1/2.

17 (N) (1) A COURT MAY ISSUE A BENCH WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF A
18 DEFENDANT CHARGED WITH A CRIMINAL OFFENSE WHO VIOLATES A CONDITION OF
19 RELEASE PRETRIAL, ~~INCLUDING A CONDITION IMPOSED BY A PRETRIAL RELEASE~~
20 ~~AGENCY.~~

1 (2) AFTER A DEFENDANT IS PRESENTED BEFORE A COURT, THE COURT
2 MAY:

3 (I) REVOKE THE DEFENDANT'S RELEASE PRETRIAL; OR

4 (II) CONTINUE THE DEFENDANT'S RELEASE PRETRIAL WITH OR
5 WITHOUT CONDITIONS.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 1999.