
By: **Delegate Montague**

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedures - Misdemeanors - Jury Size**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain criminal proceedings to have a certain number
4 of jurors under certain circumstances; and generally relating to jury sizes.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
7 Section 8-306
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (1998 Replacement Volume)

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

12 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

13 8-306.

14 (A) In a civil action in which a jury trial is permitted, the jury shall consist of
15 6 jurors.

16 (B) IN A CRIMINAL CASE CHARGING THE COMMISSION OF A MISDEMEANOR IN
17 WHICH A JURY TRIAL IS PERMITTED, THE JURY SHALL CONSIST OF 6 JURORS.

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