By: **Senators Mitchell, Hughes, and Frosh** Introduced and read first time: February 5, 1999 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

State Correctional Facilities - Privatization

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Division of Correction, with certain exceptions,

4 from contracting with a private contractor or vendor for the provision of services

5 relating to the operation of a State correctional facility or the confinement of

6 inmates in the Division of Correction; and generally relating to the Division of

7 Correction, State correctional facilities, and privatization.

8 BY adding to

- 9 Article Correctional Services
- 10 Section 3-223
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (As enacted by Chapter _____ (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of
- 13 1999)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Correctional Services

17 3-223.

18 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE DIVISION
19 MAY NOT CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE CONTRACTOR OR VENDOR FOR THE PROVISION
20 OF SERVICES RELATING TO THE OPERATION OF A STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY
21 OR THE CONFINEMENT OF INMATES IN THE DIVISION'S CUSTODY.

22 (B) THE DIVISION MAY CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE CONTRACTOR OR VENDOR 23 FOR:

24 (1) ANCILLARY SERVICES, INCLUDING MEDICAL, EDUCATIONAL, 25 REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES; OR

26 (2) OTHER SERVICES NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OWNERSHIP,
27 MANAGEMENT, OR OPERATION OF SECURITY SERVICES IN A STATE CORRECTIONAL
28 FACILITY.

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