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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Crimes - Railroad Property - Unauthorized Entry**

3 FOR the purpose of making it a misdemeanor to enter or remain on railroad property
4 knowingly and without consent of the owner of the railroad property or other
5 lawful authorization; specifying certain activities encompassed by this offense;
6 creating an exception to this offense; providing certain penalties; and generally
7 relating to the offense of entering or remaining on railroad property.

8 BY adding to
9 Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
10 Section 454
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 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**

16 454.

17 (A) EXCEPT TO CROSS PROPERTY AT A PUBLIC HIGHWAY OR OTHER
18 AUTHORIZED CROSSING, A PERSON MAY NOT KNOWINGLY AND WITHOUT CONSENT
19 OF THE OWNER OF RAILROAD PROPERTY OR OTHER LAWFUL AUTHORIZATION,
20 ENTER OR REMAIN ON RAILROAD PROPERTY BY:

- 21 (1) STANDING, SITTING, RESTING, WALKING, OR JOGGING;
- 22 (2) DRIVING OR OPERATING A RECREATIONAL OR NONRECREATIONAL
23 VEHICLE, INCLUDING A BICYCLE, MOTORCYCLE, SNOWMOBILE, CAR, OR TRUCK; OR
- 24 (3) ENGAGING IN A RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY, INCLUDING HIKING,
25 FISHING, CAMPING, CROSS COUNTRY SKIING, OR HUNTING.

1 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR
2 AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$100 OR
3 IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 30 DAYS OR BOTH.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2000.