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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a pilot program for selected individuals who have
4 completed inpatient alcohol or drug treatment programs to receive certain
5 training or employment; requiring the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration
6 to adopt regulations regarding the selection of participants and the
7 administration of the program; limiting the number of participants; describing
8 certain employment and training for which participants are eligible; providing
9 for funding; providing for a termination date; and generally relating to the
10 program.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That:

13 (a) The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration shall establish a 3-year pilot
14 program that provides 1 year of training or employment to 18 to 34 year old
15 individuals who have completed an inpatient drug or alcohol treatment program.

16 (b) The Administration shall adopt regulations to select participants and
17 administer the program.

18 (c) Participation shall be limited to 500 individuals.

19 (d) An individual selected for the program shall be eligible to receive the
20 following training or employment as long as the individual continues to participate in
21 outpatient drug or alcohol treatment:

22 (1) Training to become a Certified Lead Abatement Technician; or

23 (2) Full-time employment with a State government contractor in
24 housing inspection or lead abatement services.

25 (e) The Administration shall provide payment to the training and employment
26 providers to cover the costs and wages of the participants.

1 (f) At the conclusion of the program, the Administration shall submit a report
2 to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government
3 Article, containing information including:

4 (1) The number of participants and the training or employment to which
5 each participant was assigned;

6 (2) The current employment and training status of the participants;

7 (3) Any criminal activity of the participants; and

8 (4) Involvement of participants in outpatient drug and alcohol
9 treatment.

10 (g) Funding for this program shall be included in the Administration's annual
11 budget.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
13 October 1, 2000. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of
14 September 30, 2003, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
15 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.