

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 398

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Procedure

Section 6-103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 14 on page 1 through line 6 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“Article - Criminal Procedure

6-103.

(a) (1) The date for trial of a criminal matter in the circuit court shall be set within 30 days after the earlier of:

(i) the appearance of counsel; or

(ii) the first appearance of the defendant before the circuit court, as provided in the Maryland Rules.

(2) The trial date may not be later than 180 days after the earlier of those events.

(Over)

(b) (1) For good cause shown, the administrative judge of a county or a designee of the judge may grant a change of the trial date in a circuit court:

[(1)] (I) on motion of a party; or

[(2)] (II) on the initiative of the circuit court.

(2) IF A CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL DATE IS CHANGED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ANY SUBSEQUENT CHANGES OF THE TRIAL DATE MAY ONLY BE MADE BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OR THAT JUDGE'S DESIGNEE FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN.

(c) The Court of Appeals may adopt additional rules to carry out this section.”.