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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Warrantless Arrests - Weapons Offenses - School Property**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a police officer without a warrant to arrest a person
4 if the police officer has probable cause to believe that the person, while on school
5 property, has committed any of certain weapons offenses; and generally relating
6 to warrantless arrests for weapons offenses.

7 BY adding to

8 Article - Criminal Procedure

9 Section 2-205.1

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (As enacted by Chapter _____ (S.B. 1) of the Acts of the General Assembly of

12 2001)

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

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

15 **Article - Criminal Procedure**

16 2-205.1.

17 A POLICE OFFICER WITHOUT A WARRANT MAY ARREST A PERSON IF THE
18 POLICE OFFICER HAS PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT, WHILE ON PUBLIC
19 SCHOOL PROPERTY, THE PERSON HAS COMMITTED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRIMES:

20 (1) CARRYING OR WEARING A WEAPON, WHETHER CONCEALED OR
21 OPEN, WITH AN INTENT TO INJURE UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 36 OF THE CODE;

22 (2) CARRYING OR POSSESSING A DEADLY WEAPON ON SCHOOL
23 PROPERTY UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 36A OF THE CODE; OR

24 (3) WEARING, CARRYING, OR TRANSPORTING A HANDGUN, WHETHER
25 CONCEALED OR OPEN, UNDER ARTICLE 27, § 36B OF THE CODE.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

27 October 1, 2001.

