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By: **Delegate Doory**  
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services - Employee**  
3 **Relationships - Prohibitions**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting an officer or employee of the Department of Public  
5 Safety and Correctional Services from establishing or maintaining an  
6 unauthorized, nonprofessional relationship with an inmate or individual under  
7 the supervision of the Department; establishing a certain penalty; and generally  
8 relating to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and  
9 employee relationships with inmates under the supervision of the Department.

10 BY adding to  
11 Article - Correctional Services  
12 Section 2-301 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3. Prohibited Acts"  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (1999 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Correctional Services**

18 **SUBTITLE 3. PROHIBITED ACTS.**

19 2-301.

20 (A) AN OFFICER OR OTHER EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT  
21 ESTABLISH OR MAINTAIN AN UNAUTHORIZED, NONPROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP  
22 WITH AN INMATE OR AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE  
23 DEPARTMENT.

24 (B) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR  
25 AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 October 1, 2001.

