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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Criminal Procedure - Sentencing Court - Revisory Power and Control Over Criminal Sentence

4 FOR the purpose of specifying that a sentencing court has continued revisory power

5 and control over a criminal sentence in certain circumstances; prohibiting the

6 sentencing court from increasing a criminal sentence after the announcement of

7 the sentence; providing an exception to the prohibition; and generally relating to

8 the revisory power and control of a sentencing court over a criminal sentence.

9 BY adding to

10 Article - Criminal Procedure

11 Section 6-229

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2001 Volume)

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

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

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Article - Criminal Procedure

17 6-229.

18 (A) THE SENTENCING COURT HAS CONTINUING REVISORY POWER AND
19 CONTROL OVER A CRIMINAL SENTENCE IN A CASE IN WHICH THE SENTENCE
20 IMPOSED IS 10 YEARS OR GREATER AND CHANGES THAT MAY HAVE AFFECTED THE
21 ORIGINAL SENTENCE HAVE OCCURRED IN:

- 22 (1) CONFINEMENT POLICY;
- 23 (2) PAROLE STATUS;
- 24 (3) EXECUTIVE DECISIONS; OR
- 25 (4) STATUTORY PENALTIES.

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1 (B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE 2 SENTENCING COURT MAY NOT INCREASE A CRIMINAL SENTENCE AFTER THE 3 SENTENCE HAS BEEN IMPOSED.

4 (2) THE SENTENCING COURT MAY CORRECT AN EVIDENT MISTAKE IN A
5 CRIMINAL SENTENCE AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE SENTENCE IF THE
6 CORRECTION IS MADE ON THE RECORD BEFORE THE DEFENDANT LEAVES THE
7 COURTROOM FOLLOWING THE SENTENCING PROCEEDING.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 9 October 1, 2002.