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-- Judiciary and Appropriations/Judicial Proceedings --

Introduced by Delegates Doory, Rosenberg, McHale, Frush, Moe, Patterson, and Vallario, Kelly, Boschert, Petzold, and Dembrow

Read and Examined by Proofreaders: Proofreader. Proofreader. Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____M. CHAPTER 1 AN ACT concerning 2 DNA Testing - Felony Convictions - DNA Technology Fund - Preservation of 3 Scientific Identification Evidence 4 FOR the purpose of altering provisions of law relating to DNA testing of certain persons convicted of certain crimes by providing that any person convicted of a 5 felony or certain misdemeanors on or before a certain date shall submit a DNA 6 sample to the Department of State Police; making conforming changes; 7 8 providing for the application of this Act; establishing a DNA Technology Fund to 9 assist the Department of State Police and local law enforcement agencies in acquiring DNA technology equipment needed for DNA testing; defining certain 10 terms; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime 11 Control and Prevention to establish application procedures and administer the 12 grants; requiring the Department of State Police and local law enforcement 13 14 agencies to provide certain information to the Executive Director; requiring the 15 Executive Director to consider certain criteria in determining the amount of the

grants; requiring the Department of State Police and local law enforcement

1	agencies to submit proof of appropriate expenditure; altering the period of time								
2	during which the State must preserve certain evidence; making stylistic								
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5	certain time; providing that the Department of State Police is not required to								
6	obtain DNA samples and conduct testing for a certain time if certain funding is								
7	not received under certain circumstances; making provisions of this Act								
8	severable; declaring that the provisions of this Act are not severable; making this								
9	Act subject to a certain contingency; providing for the termination of this Act; and								
10	generally relating to DNA testing, the preservation of scientific identification								
11	evidence, and the DNA Technology Fund.								
11	evidence, and the DIVA Technology Fund.								
12.	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,								
13	Article 88B - Department of State Police								
14	Section 12A								
15	Annotated Code of Maryland								
16	(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)								
10	(1776 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)								
17	BY adding to								
18	Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments								
19	Section 4-301 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3. DNA Technology Fund"								
20	Annotated Code of Maryland								
21	(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)								
-1	(17)7 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)								
22	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,								
23	Article - Criminal Procedure								
24	Section 8-201(i)								
25	Annotated Code of Maryland								
26	(2001 Volume)								
20	(2001 Volume)								
27	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF								
	MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:								
29	Article 88B - Department of State Police								
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30	12A.								
31	(a) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.								
32	(2) "CODIS" means the Federal Bureau of Investigation's "Combined								
	DNA Index System" that allows the storage and exchange of DNA records submitted								
34	by state and local forensic DNA laboratories.								
35	(3) "Crime Laboratory" means the Crime Laboratory Division of the								
36	Department of State Police.								

1 2	(4) Director's designee.	"Directo	or" means the Director of the Crime Laboratory or the
3	(5)	"DNA"	means deoxyribonucleic acid.
		ne Depart	ecord" means DNA information stored in the statewide DNA ment of State Police or CODIS and includes that d to as a DNA profile.
9 10	6-205 OR § 6-206 OI	[qualifyi FTHE CF	ample" means a body fluid or tissue sample provided by any ng crime of violence] FELONY OR A VIOLATION OF § RIMINAL LAW ARTICLE or any body fluid or tissue sample (A data base system for analysis pursuant to a criminal
12	[(8)	"Qualify	ring crime of violence" means:
13 14	abuse;	(i)	A violation of Article 27, § 35C of the Code that involves sexual
15		(ii)	Rape in any degree;
16		(iii)	A sexual offense in the first, second, or third degree;
17		(iv)	Murder;
18		(v)	Robbery under Article 27, § 486 or § 487 of the Code;
19		(vi)	First degree assault; or
20		(vii)	Attempts to commit these offenses.]
21 22	[(9)] system administered	(8) by the De	"Statewide DNA data base system" means the DNA record epartment of State Police for identification purposes.
23 24	[(10)] DNA samples collec	(9) ted under	"Statewide DNA repository" means the State repository of this section.
25 26	(b) (1) base system.	There is	created within the Crime Laboratory a statewide DNA data
27 28	(2) information as provid		em shall be the central repository for all DNA testing s section.
29	(3)	The Dire	ector shall:
30		(i)	Administer and manage the system;
31 32	regulations concerning	(ii) ng system	Consult with the Secretary on the adoption of appropriate protocols and operations;

			Ensure compatibility with Federal Bureau of Investigation and g the use of comparable test procedures, quality nt, and computer software; and				
4 5	system.	(iv) Ensure the security and confidentiality of all records of the m.					
6 7	(4) appropriate regulation		retary, after consultation with the Director, shall adopt ning system protocols and operation.				
	Pursuant to regulations adopted by the Secretary after consultation with the Director under this section, a person convicted of a [qualifying crime of violence] FELONY OR A VIOLATION OF § 6-205 OR § 6-206 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE shall:						
11 12	facility; or	Have a l	DNA sample collected upon intake to any prison or detention				
13 14	(2) a condition of senten		ntenced to a term of imprisonment, provide a DNA sample as bation.				
15 16	(d) A secon shown.	d DNA s	ample shall be taken if ordered by the court for good cause				
	7 (D) A SECOND DNA SAMPLE MAY BE TAKEN IF NEEDED TO OBTAIN 8 SUFFICIENT DNA FOR THE STATE DATABASE OR IF ORDERED BY THE COURT FOR 9 GOOD CAUSE SHOWN.						
	(e) If a person is not sentenced to a term of imprisonment, failure to provide a DNA sample within 90 days of notice by the Director shall be considered a violation of probation.						
25	3 (f) A person who has been convicted of a [qualifying crime of violence] 4 FELONY <i>OR A VIOLATION OF § 6-205 OR § 6-206 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE</i> prior 5 to October 1, [1999] 2002, and who remains incarcerated on that date shall submit a 6 DNA sample to the Department of State Police.						
27 28	(g) (1) tested for the following		xtent fiscal resources are available, DNA samples shall be ses:				
29 30	from DNA samples;	(i)	To analyze and type the genetic markers contained in or derived				
31 32	offense;	(ii)	In the furtherance of an official investigation into a criminal				
33		(iii)	To assist in the identification of human remains;				
34		(iv)	To assist in the identification of missing persons; and				
35		(v)	For research and administrative purposes, including:				

1 2	identifying in	nformatio	on is remo	1. oved;	Development of a population data base after personal
3	development	of foren	sic DNA	2. analysis	Support of identification research and protocol methods; and
5				3.	Quality control purposes.
6 7	individuals s	(2) hall be co	(i) ollected a		NA records that directly relate to the identification of .
8 9	those specific	ed in this	(ii) section.	These re	ecords may not be used for any purposes other than
	(h) DNA testing DNA data b		stored ar		of identification characteristics resulting from the ined by the Crime Laboratory in the statewide
13 14	Laboratory i	(2) in the sta			shall be stored and maintained by the Crime itory.
15 16	(i) the Director		t to regul	ations ad	opted by the Secretary, after consultation with
			rcerated a	as of Octo	le required to be collected under this section from ober 1, [1999] 2002, or are sentenced to a term collected at the place of incarceration; and
20 21	confinement	(2) t shall be			om persons who are not sentenced to a term of lity specified by the Director.
22	(j)	DNA sa	mples to	be submi	tted for analysis shall be collected by a:
23		(1)	Correcti	onal heal	th nurse technician;
24		(2)	Physicia	ın;	
25		(3)	Register	ed nurse;	
26		(4)	Licensed	d practica	ıl nurse;
27		(5)	Laborate	ory techn	ician; or
28		(6)	Phleboto	omist.	
29 30	(k) regulations s	(1) governing			ter consultation with the Director, shall adopt be used for:
31 32	disposal of I	ONA san	(i) nples; and		on, submission, identification, analysis, storage, and

1 2	identification informa	(ii) ation of sa	Access to and dissemination of typing results and personal amples that are submitted under this section.
3	(2) repository.	(i)	DNA samples shall be securely stored in the statewide DNA
5 6	data base system.	(ii)	Typing results shall be securely stored in the statewide DNA
9		r laborato	Any procedure adopted by the Director shall include quality that DNA identification records meet standards and ories that submit DNA records for inclusion in the em and CODIS.
13	analyses at the Crime 180 183 days, extern	al profici	The Crime Laboratory and each analyst performing DNA ory shall undergo, at regular intervals not exceeding ency testing, including at least one external blind test, program that meets the standards issued:
15 16	1994; or		1. Under § 1003 of the federal DNA Identification Act of
17 18		n as the '	2. Under the guidelines for a quality assurance program for 'TWGDAM" guidelines).
	QUALITY ASSURA		2. UNDER THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S ANDARDS FOR CONVICTED OFFENDER'S DNA DATA BASING TING LABORATORIES.
22 23	` /		to subsection (o) of this section, records of testing shall be t the Crime Laboratory.
24	(1) (1)	The Cri	me Laboratory shall:
25		(i)	Receive DNA samples for analysis, classification, and storage;
26 27	DNA samples submi	(ii) tted to the	File the DNA record of identification characteristic profiles of e laboratory; and
28 29		(iii) encies and	Make information relating to DNA samples and DNA records d individuals as authorized by this section.
30 31			ector may contract with a qualified DNA laboratory that ed by the Director to complete DNA typing analyses.
34	DNA profile of an in available to the follow	dividual i	ing results and personal identification information of the in the statewide DNA data base system may be made noise or persons upon written or electronic request after at a match has been made in the population data base

	and the request is in the furtherance of any of the purposes set forth in subsection (g) of this section:						
3		(i)	Federal, S	State, and local law enforcement agencies;			
4 5	(ii) Crime laboratories that serve federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies that have been approved by the Director;						
6		(iii)	A State's	Attorney's office or other prosecutorial office; and			
7 8	data base information	(iv) may be o		on participating in a judicial proceeding in which the evidence.			
11	(2) (i) The typing results and personal identification information of the DNA profile of an individual in the statewide DNA data base system shall be made available to a defendant or a defendant's counsel on written order of the court in which the case is pending.						
15		defenda	obtained fr nt is charg	of the data base shall be conducted to determine the com crime scene evidence taken in relation to ed if, upon the request of that defendant, a lase search.			
17 18	discovery of a DNA	(iii) record or		n this section limits a court from ordering any ted material in a criminal case.			
19 20	paragraph.	(iv)	The Direc	ctor shall maintain a file of all orders issued under this			
23	1 (3) The Secretary, after consultation with the Director, shall adopt 2 regulations governing the methods of obtaining information from the statewide DNA 3 data base system and CODIS which shall include procedures for verification of the 4 identity and authority of the individual or agency requesting the information.						
25 26	(4) DNA samples obtain	(i) ed under		ctor shall create a population data base comprised of n.			
27 28	is entered into the po	(ii) pulation o		nal identifiers shall be removed before the information			
29 30	population data base	(iii) informati		shall prohibit the sharing or disseminating of			
31			1.	Federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies;			
32 33	enforcement agencies	s that hav		Crime laboratories that serve federal, State, and local law proved by the Director;			
34			3.	A State's Attorney's office; or			

1	4. Any third party that the Director deems necessary to assist the Crime Laboratory with statistical analyses of the population data base.
3 4	(iv) The population data base may be made available to and searched by any agency participating in the CODIS system.
	(n) Any match obtained between an evidence sample and a data base entry may only be used as probable cause to obtain a blood AN ADDITIONAL DNA sample from the subject and is not admissible at trial unless confirmed by additional testing.
10 11 12 13	(o) (1) A person whose DNA record or profile has been included in the statewide DNA data base system and whose DNA sample is stored in the statewide DNA repository may request that information be expunged on the grounds that the conviction that resulted in the inclusion of the person's DNA record or profile in the statewide DNA data base system or the inclusion of the person's DNA sample in the statewide DNA repository meets the expungement criteria specified in § 10-105 or § 10-106 of the Criminal Procedure Article.
15 16	(2) Expungement proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with § 10-105 or § 10-106 of the Criminal Procedure Article.
	(3) Upon receipt of an order of expungement, the Director shall purge any DNA record, DNA sample, or other identifiable information covered by the order from the statewide DNA data base system and the statewide DNA repository.
22 23 24	(p) (1) A person who, by virtue of employment or official position, has possession of or access to individually identifiable DNA information contained in the statewide DNA data base system or statewide DNA repository and who willfully discloses that information in any manner to any person or agency not entitled to receive that information is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or both.
28	(2) A person who, without authorization, willfully obtains individually identifiable DNA information from the statewide DNA data base system or repository is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 3 years or both.
30 31	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
32	Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments
33	SUBTITLE 3. DNA TECHNOLOGY FUND.
34	4-301.
35 36	(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
37	(2) "DNA" MEANS DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID.

- 1 (3) "DNA TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT" MEANS ANY EQUIPMENT USED FOR 2 DNA TESTING PURPOSES INCLUDING THOSE PURPOSES LISTED UNDER ARTICLE 88B, 3 § 12A(G)(1) OF THE CODE.
- 4 (4) "EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE 5 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION.
- 6 (5) "FUND" MEANS THE DNA TECHNOLOGY FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER 7 THIS SECTION.
- 8 (6) "LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" MEANS THE AGENCY OF ANY 9 COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, INCLUDING BALTIMORE CITY, WITHIN THE 10 STATE THAT PERFORMS POLICE PROTECTION FUNCTIONS.
- 11 (B) A DNA TECHNOLOGY FUND IS ESTABLISHED TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT 12 OF STATE POLICE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN ACQUIRING DNA 13 TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO TEST DNA SAMPLES.
- 14 (C) (1) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND IN 15 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAW.
- 16 (2) THE FUND SHALL CONSIST OF MONEY:
- 17 <u>(I)</u> APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET; OR AND
- 18 <u>(H)</u> <u>RECEIVED FROM ANY PRIVATE ENTITY OR FEDERAL AGENCY</u> 19 FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING AND TESTING DNA SAMPLES.
- 20 (3) PAYMENTS OUT OF THE FUND SHALL BE MADE TO THE 21 DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY BY THE
- 22 STATE TREASURER AS AUTHORIZED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.
- 23 (4) (I) THE FUND IS A CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND WHICH IS 24 NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.
- 25 (II) THE TREASURER SHALL SEPARATELY HOLD AND THE
- 26 COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
- 27 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.
- 28 (III) THE TREASURER MAY INVEST MONEYS IN THE FUND IN THE
- 29 SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.
- 30 (D) (1) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL ESTABLISH APPLICATION
- 31 PROCEDURES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND LOCAL LAW
- 32 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO APPLY FOR AID FROM THE FUND.
- 33 (2) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND A LOCAL LAW
- 34 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY APPLYING FOR AID FROM THE FUND SHALL PROVIDE TO
- 35 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANY INFORMATION THAT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 36 DEEMS NECESSARY IN MAKING AWARDS FOR DNA TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT.

3 4 5 6	(E) TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL PROVIDE GRANTS FOR THE PURCHASE OR REPLACEMENT OF DNA TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES BASED UPON THE NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE AND THE COMPARATIVE NEEDS OF EACH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AS DETERMINED FROM THE INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (D)(2) OF THIS SECTION.						
	(F) SUPPLEME FUNDING	ENT, NO	F SUPPL	RIBUTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED TO ANT, OTHER STATE AND LOCAL DNA TECHNOLOGY NOLOGY.			
13 14 15	EXECUTIVE ENFORCE:	/E DIREO MENT A	GENCY CTOR, T GENCY UIPMEN	THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE OR A LOCAL LAW RECEIVES NOTICE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE HE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE OR THE LOCAL LAW SHALL SUBMIT PROOF OF EXPENDITURES ON DNAIT TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.			
18	GOVERNM	IENT AF	THE GO RTICLE,	XECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY BY VERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF IIS SECTION.			
20				Article - Criminal Procedure			
21	<u>8-201.</u>						
22	<u>(i)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	The Stat	te shall preserve scientific identification evidence that:			
23			<u>(i)</u>	the State has reason to know contains DNA material; and			
24 25	(b) of this se	ection.	<u>(ii)</u>	is secured in connection with an offense described in subsection			
26 27	in paragrapl	(2) h (1) of th		te shall preserve scientific identification evidence described tion for[:			
28			<u>(i)</u>	a period of 3 years after the imposition of sentence; or			
31 32 33	Court of Sp identification	ecial App on evidend G ANY (eals that ce relating	a period beyond 3 years that is required pursuant to an order imposition of sentence by the Court of Appeals or is specific to a single offense and specific scientific g to that offense] THE TIME OF THE SENTENCE, CUTIVE SENTENCE IMPOSED IN CONNECTION WITH THE			
35 36	to parties in	(3) the case		te shall make the scientific identification evidence available ms that are mutually agreed on between them.			

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1	(4) If an agreement cannot be reached, the party requesting the testing
	may file an application in the circuit court that entered the judgment for an order
3	setting the terms under which the evidence will be made available for testing.
4	SECTION 2. 3. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Article 88B, § 12A
5	of the Code, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, shall be construed to apply
	retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any person convicted of
	a felony or a violation of § 6-205 or § 6-206 of the Criminal Law Article before the
	effective date of this Act and incarcerated for a felony or a violation of § 6-205 or §
	<u>6-206 of the Criminal Law Article</u> on or after the effective date of this Act.
10	SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:
11	(a) Section 1 of this Act:
12	(1) may not be funded during the period October 1, 2002 through
13	September 30, 2003 with State general funds; and
14	(2) is contingent on the receipt by the Department of State Police of at
	least \$1,500,000 or a binding written award of a grant from any private entity or
16	federal agency of at least \$1,500,000 to be used to implement the provisions of Section
	1 of this Act during the period beginning October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003.
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18	(b) If the Department of State Police does not receive \$1,500,000 or a binding
	written award on or before September 30, 2003, as provided in this Section, Section 1
	of this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003. If the Department of State Police receives
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	Act shall take effect on the date the Department receives funding or a binding written award. The Department shall forward notice of the receipt of the funds or a copy of
	the written award within 5 days of receipt to the Department of Legislative Services,
	90 State Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.
23	50 State Circle, Famapons, Mai ylana 21401.
26	SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That for fiscal year 2004, no
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28	Technology Fund.
29	SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That for fiscal years 2004
30	and 2005, the Department of State Police is not required to obtain or test DNA
	samples from all convicted felons and persons convicted of a violation of § 6-205 or §
32	6-206 of the Criminal Law Article unless the Department receives funding in fiscal
33	years 2004 and 2005 from the State, the federal government, or any private person to
34	carry out the required sampling and testing. The Department of State Police, in fiscal
35	years 2004 and 2005, shall obtain and test DNA samples from individuals convicted of
	child abuse involving sexual abuse under § 3 601 of the Criminal Law Article, rape in
	any degree, sexual offense in the first, second, or third degree, murder, robbery under
	§ 3-402 or § 3-403 of the Criminal Law Article, first degree assault, and attempts to
39	<u>commit these offenses.</u>
40	SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this
	Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any

- 1 reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other
- 2 provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the
- 3 invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are
- 4 declared severable.
- 5 SECTION 3. 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 4
- 6 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.
- 7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the
- 8 provisions of Article 1, § 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the provisions of this
- 9 Act are not severable, and if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any
- 10 person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent
- 11 jurisdiction, no other provision or application of this Act may be given effect.
- 12 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is contingent on
- 13 the receipt by the Department of State Police of a binding written award of a grant
- 14 from any private entity or federal agency by September 1, 2002, of at least \$1,500,000
- 15 to be used to implement the provisions of this Act during the period between October 1,
- 16 2002 and September 30, 2003. If the Department of State Police does not receive a
- 17 binding written award by September 1, 2002 as provided in this Section, this Act, with
- 18 no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be null and void and of no
- 19 force and effect. If the Department of State Police receives a binding written award by
- 20 September 1, 2002, the Department shall forward a copy of the written award within 5
- 21 days of receipt to the Department of Legislative Services, 90 State Circle, Annapolis,
- 22 Maryland 21401.
- 23 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 4 of
- 24 this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective for a period
- 25 of 1 year and, at the end of September 30, 2003, with no further action required by the
- 26 General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.