
By: **Delegate Vallario**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juvenile Law - Juvenile Court - Termination of Jurisdiction**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the juvenile court to issue an order retaining its
4 jurisdiction at any time before or within a certain period of time after the
5 conviction of a certain person; making certain stylistic changes; and generally
6 relating to juvenile court jurisdiction.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
9 Section 3-8A-07
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2002 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 3-8A-07.

16 (a) If the court obtains jurisdiction over a child under this subtitle, that
17 jurisdiction continues until that person reaches 21 years of age unless terminated
18 sooner.

19 (b) This section does not affect the jurisdiction of other courts over a person
20 who commits an offense after the person reaches the age of 18.

21 (c) (1) Unless otherwise ordered by the court IN ACCORDANCE WITH
22 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, the court's jurisdiction is terminated over a
23 person who has reached 18 years of age when [he] THE PERSON is convicted of a
24 crime, including manslaughter by automobile, unauthorized use or occupancy of a
25 motor vehicle, any violation of Title 2, Subtitle 5 or § 3-211 of the Criminal Law
26 Article, or § 21-902 of the Transportation Article, but excluding a conviction for a
27 violation of any other traffic law or ordinance or any provision of the State Boat Act,
28 or the fish and wildlife laws of the State.

1 (2) THE COURT MAY ISSUE AN ORDER RETAINING ITS JURISDICTION AT
2 ANY TIME BEFORE OR WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE CONVICTION OF A PERSON WHO
3 HAS REACHED 18 YEARS OF AGE.

4 (d) A person subject to the jurisdiction of the court may not be prosecuted for
5 a criminal offense committed before [he] THE PERSON reached 18 years of age unless
6 jurisdiction has been waived.

7 (e) The court has exclusive original jurisdiction, but only for the purpose of
8 waiving it, over a person 21 years of age or older who is alleged to have committed a
9 delinquent act while a child.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
11 effect October 1, 2003.