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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Third Degree Sexual Offense - Prior Conviction - Increased Penalty**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing a certain maximum term of imprisonment for a person
4 who is convicted of a third degree sexual offense involving a minor when the
5 person has previously been convicted of a certain crime involving a minor; and
6 generally relating to a maximum penalty for a third degree sexual offender with
7 prior convictions.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Criminal Law
10 Section 3-307
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2002 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Criminal Law**

16 3-307.

17 (a) A person may not:

18 (1) (i) engage in sexual contact with another without the consent of
19 the other; and

20 (ii) 1. employ or display a dangerous weapon, or a physical object
21 that the victim reasonably believes is a dangerous weapon;

22 2. suffocate, strangle, disfigure, or inflict serious physical
23 injury on the victim or another in the course of committing the crime;

24 3. threaten, or place the victim in fear, that the victim, or an
25 individual known to the victim, imminently will be subject to death, suffocation,
26 strangulation, disfigurement, serious physical injury, or kidnapping; or

