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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Offender Registration - Probation Before Judgment - Expungement**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a person may not file a petition for expungement
4 of a police record, court record, or other record maintained by the State or a
5 political subdivision of the State during any time period in which the person is
6 registered or required to register on a certain offender registration; altering the
7 circumstances under which a person is considered convicted for purposes of
8 certain offender registration requirements; providing that a person is subject to
9 certain offender registration requirements if the person is granted a probation
10 before judgment, except under certain circumstances; establishing that a person
11 is not subject to certain offender registration requirements if the person is
12 granted a probation before judgment for a finding of guilt for certain sexual
13 offenses, except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to offender
14 registration and probation before judgment.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article - Criminal Procedure
17 Section 10-105(a) and 11-702
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2001 Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

1 Article - Criminal Procedure

2 10-105.

3 (a) A person who has been charged with the commission of a crime, including
4 a violation of the Transportation Article for which a term of imprisonment may be
5 imposed, may file a petition listing relevant facts for expungement of a police record,
6 court record, or other record maintained by the State or a political subdivision of the
7 State if:

8 (1) the person is acquitted;
9 (2) the charge is otherwise dismissed;
10 (3) a probation before judgment is entered, [unless] EXCEPT:

11 (I) IF the person is charged with a violation of § 21-902 of the
12 Transportation Article or Title 2, Subtitle 5 or § 3-211 of the Criminal Law Article; OR

13 (II) DURING ANY TIME PERIOD IN WHICH THE PERSON IS
14 REGISTERED OR REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED UNDER TITLE 11, SUBTITLE 7 OF THIS
15 ARTICLE;

16 (4) a nolle prosequi or nolle prosequi with the requirement of drug or
17 alcohol treatment is entered;

18 (5) the court indefinitely postpones trial of a criminal charge by marking
19 the criminal charge "stet" or stet with the requirement of drug or alcohol abuse
20 treatment on the docket;

21 (6) the case is compromised under § 3-207 of the Criminal Law Article;
22 (7) the charge was transferred to the juvenile court under § 4-202 of this
23 article; or

24 (8) the person:
25 (i) is convicted of only one criminal act, and that act is not a crime
26 of violence; and
27 (ii) is granted a full and unconditional pardon by the Governor.

28 11-702.

29 (A) For the purposes of this subtitle, a person is convicted when the person:
30 (1) is found guilty of a crime by a jury or judicial officer;
31 (2) enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere;

5 (4) is found not criminally responsible for a crime.

6 (B) A PERSON IS NOT CONVICTED FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE IF THE
7 PERSON IS GRANTED PROBATION BEFORE JUDGMENT AFTER A FINDING OF GUILT
8 FOR A VIOLATION OF § 3-308(A)(2) OR (3) OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE, UNLESS
9 THE COURT, AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION, ORDERS COMPLIANCE WITH THE
10 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2005.