

HOUSE BILL 337

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By: **Cecil County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2007

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Cecil County – Pretrial Release – Use of Technology to Facilitate Pretrial**
3 **Release Process**

4 FOR the purpose of allowing the use of video conferencing technology to facilitate the
5 pretrial release process if authorized by the County Administrative Judge or the
6 District Administrative Judge; requiring certain documents to be delivered to
7 the appropriate court immediately after a certain proceeding; and generally
8 relating to the pretrial release process.

9 BY adding to
10 Article – Criminal Procedure
11 Section 5–214
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2001 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

17 **5–214.**

18 (A) **THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN CECIL COUNTY.**

19 (B) **VIDEO CONFERENCING PROCEDURES AND TECHNOLOGY MAY BE**
20 **USED TO FACILITATE THE PRETRIAL RELEASE PROCESS IF AUTHORIZED BY:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE
2 **JUDGE; AND**

3 (2) IN THE DISTRICT COURT, THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE
4 **JUDGE.**

5 (C) **IMMEDIATELY AFTER A PROCEEDING CONDUCTED THROUGH VIDEO**
6 **CONFERENCING, ALL DOCUMENTS THAT ARE NOT A PART OF THE COURT FILE**
7 **AND THAT WOULD BE A PART OF THE FILE IF THE PROCEEDING HAD BEEN**
8 **CONDUCTED AT THE COURT SHALL BE ELECTRONICALLY TRANSMITTED OR**
9 **HAND DELIVERED TO THE APPROPRIATE COURT.**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2007.