

HOUSE BILL 910

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ENROLLED BILL

— Judiciary/Judicial Proceedings —

Introduced by **Delegates Barkley, Ali, Aumann, Bates, Bohanan, Branch, Bronrott, Carter, G. Clagett, Conway, DeBoy, Dumais, Dwyer, Frank, Gutierrez, Guzzone, Heller, Jones, N. King, Kramer, Lee, McComas, McConkey, Montgomery, Proctor, Ramirez, Robinson, Schuler, Shank, Sophocleus, Stocksdale, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, and Wood**

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.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Correctional Officers – Minimum Age**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services
4 to adopt certain regulations establishing a certain minimum age for a
5 correctional officer hired for employment in any unit within the Division of
6 Correction; providing that the regulations shall exempt any honorably
7 discharged veteran or reserve member of the United States armed forces from

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 the minimum age requirement; and generally relating to correctional officers
2 within the Division of Correction.

3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
4 Article – Correctional Services
5 Section 2–109
6 Annotated Code of Maryland
7 (1999 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

10 **Article – Correctional Services**

11 2–109.

12 (a) The Secretary shall adopt regulations for the office of the Secretary.

13 (b) (1) The Secretary shall review regulations proposed by a unit in the
14 Department.

15 (2) The Secretary may approve, disapprove, or revise regulations
16 proposed by a unit in the Department.

17 (c) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the
18 Secretary shall adopt regulations to govern the policies and management of
19 correctional facilities in the Division of Correction in accordance with Title 10, Subtitle
20 1 of the State Government Article.

21 (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to a guideline
22 pertaining to the routine internal management of correctional facilities in the Division
23 of Correction.

24 (3) ~~THE (I)~~ **SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**
25 **PARAGRAPH, THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT PROVIDE FOR**
26 **A REQUIREMENT THAT, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2007, A CORRECTIONAL**
27 **OFFICER HIRED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2007, FOR EMPLOYMENT IN ANY**
28 **UNIT OF THE DIVISION OF CORRECTION SHALL BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD.**

29 **(II) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH**
30 **(I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL EXEMPT ANY HONORABLY DISCHARGED**

1 VETERAN *OR RESERVE MEMBER* OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM
2 THE MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT.

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

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.