

# HOUSE BILL 300

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Public and Private Schools – Criminal Law and Criminal**  
3 **Procedure Courses**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education and each nonpublic  
5 noncollegiate educational institution to develop for its students a certain  
6 mandatory course regarding criminal law and criminal procedure to be  
7 implemented at a certain time; requiring the State Board of Education to  
8 provide certain guidance and assistance; defining a certain term; and generally  
9 relating to the development and implementation of a course in criminal law and  
10 criminal procedure.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
12 Article – Education  
13 Section 2–206(a)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

16 BY adding to  
17 Article – Education  
18 Section 2–208  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Education**

24 2–206.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this section, “noncollegiate educational institution” means a school or  
2 other institution that offers an educational program but is not an institution of  
3 postsecondary education, as defined in § 10–101 of this article.

4 **2–208.**

5 (A) **IN THIS SECTION, “NONCOLLEGIATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION”**  
6 **HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 2–206(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

7 (B) **EACH COUNTY BOARD AND EACH NONPUBLIC NONCOLLEGIATE**  
8 **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION SHALL DEVELOP FOR ITS STUDENTS A MANDATORY**  
9 **COURSE REGARDING CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE TO BE**  
10 **IMPLEMENTED DURING MIDDLE SCHOOL OR DURING THE EQUIVALENT**  
11 **AGE-APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVEL.**

12 (C) **THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE, AS**  
13 **NECESSARY, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION.**

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
15 October 1, 2008.