

# HOUSE BILL 1453

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By: **Chair, Judiciary Committee and Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Insurance Administration, Maryland)**

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Bail Bonds – Bail and Bail Bondsmen – Licensure and Regulation**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring licensure of property bondsmen; altering certain  
4 definitions; requiring designation of bail bond commissioners by circuit  
5 administrative judges; setting out certain duties of bail bond commissioners and  
6 the Chief Clerk of the District Court under certain supervision; transferring  
7 from State’s Attorneys to the Attorney General certain responsibilities in  
8 connection with forfeitures of recognizances; authorizing referral to the Central  
9 Collection Unit of matters relating to forfeitures of recognizances; making the  
10 Unit responsible for collection in connection with referred matters; providing for  
11 distribution of collections; repealing authority for circuit courts to adopt rules in  
12 connection with bail bonds and bail bondsmen; clarifying a reference to private  
13 sureties; repealing authority for appointment of a bail bond commissioner by an  
14 individual circuit court; repealing a provision as to contempt for violation of  
15 certain rules; repealing a prohibition against unregulated business as a surety;  
16 repealing a surcharge on bonds written in a certain circuit; limiting the  
17 authority of a court to authorize bail bond services by unlicensed persons;  
18 repealing a limitation on acceptance of security by clerks; repealing provisions  
19 relating to property bondsmen in certain circuits; repealing a reference to  
20 forfeiture of a bond by a District Court commissioner; repealing a provision as to  
21 preemption as to taxation and regulation of certain bail bondsmen; authorizing  
22 the Insurance Commissioner to take certain disciplinary action in connection  
23 with certain violations; clarifying the authority of the Commissioner in  
24 connection with withholding funds improperly; defining the scope of certain  
25 provisions; repealing a certain requirement for annual certification of income;  
26 repealing certain local provisions for posting of the names of licensees; repealing  
27 certain local provisions as to compensation of certain licensees; repealing  
28 certain local provisions relating to acceptance and form of bonds; repealing  
29 certain local provisions for annual reports as to assets and debts; repealing  
30 certain local provisions for mailing copies of surety bonds; repealing certain

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 local provisions as to returns by a sheriff as to forfeitures; providing for repeal of  
2 certain inconsistent laws; providing for construction of this Act; making certain  
3 stylistic changes; providing for the delayed effective date of this Act; and  
4 generally relating to bail bonds and bail bondsmen.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
6 Article – Business Occupations and Professions  
7 Section 13–101(j)(1)(iv)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

10 BY adding to  
11 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
12 Section 2–513  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
17 Section 11–513  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

20 BY repealing  
21 Article – Criminal Procedure  
22 Section 5–203, 5–204(c), and 5–209  
23 Annotated Code of Maryland  
24 (2001 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

25 BY adding to  
26 Article – Criminal Procedure  
27 Section 5–203  
28 Annotated Code of Maryland  
29 (2001 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

30 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
31 Article – Criminal Procedure  
32 Section 5–205, 5–210, and 9–118  
33 Annotated Code of Maryland  
34 (2001 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

35 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
36 Article – Insurance  
37 Section 1–205, 10–126(a), 10–301, 10–304(a), and 10–305  
38 Annotated Code of Maryland  
39 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

40 BY repealing

1 Article – Insurance  
2 Section 10–302 and 10–308  
3 Annotated Code of Maryland  
4 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
6 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
7 Section 3–302  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

10 BY adding to  
11 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
12 Section 3–305(e)  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

15 BY repealing  
16 The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City  
17 Section 22–13, 22–14, 22–15, 22–16, 22–17, 22–18, 22–19, 22–20, 22–22, 22–23,  
18 22–24, 22–53, and 22–54  
19 Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
20 (1979 Edition, and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

21 BY repealing  
22 The Public Local Laws of Montgomery County  
23 Section 12–29, 12–30, 12–31, 12–32, 12–33, 12–34, 12–34A, 12–35, 12–35A,  
24 12–35B, and 12–35C  
25 Article 16 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
26 (2004 Edition, and December 2007 Supplement, as amended)

27 BY repealing  
28 The Public Local Laws of Washington County  
29 Section 3–202(c) and (d)  
30 Article 22 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
31 (2007 Edition, as amended)

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

34 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

35 13–101.

36 (j) (1) “Provide private detective services” means to provide, for  
37 compensation, the service of:

1 (iv) conducting an investigation to locate or apprehend a fugitive  
2 from justice, unless the person:

3 1. conducting the investigation is a [property] bail  
4 bondsman [or] licensed by the Insurance Commissioner of [the] **THIS** State or a  
5 similar [licensing] **REGULATORY** body of another state as a bail bondsman;

6 2. is an employee of a [property bail bondsman or a]  
7 licensed bail bondsman for the purpose of locating or apprehending fugitives from  
8 justice; or

9 3. is authorized as an agent by a [property bail  
10 bondsman or] licensed bail bondsman in advance of the apprehension of a fugitive  
11 from justice.

## 12 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

### 13 2-513.

14 (A) **EACH CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE SHALL DESIGNATE A BAIL**  
15 **BOND COMMISSIONER FOR THE CIRCUIT TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE STATE AS**  
16 **PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.**

17 (B) **UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE**  
18 **OR THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT, AS APPROPRIATE, A BAIL**  
19 **BOND COMMISSIONER OR THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL**  
20 **ENSURE THAT RULES, STATUTES, AND OTHER LAWS RELATING TO BAIL BONDS**  
21 **ARE CARRIED OUT.**

### 22 11-513.

23 (a) (1) If a recognizance taken for the appearance of a person to answer or  
24 testify is forfeited, the [State's] Attorney **GENERAL** may order a writ of execution to  
25 be issued for the sum due on the recognizance.

26 [(b)] (2) If a writ of execution is issued against a person who failed to  
27 answer or testify, on the return of the execution [he], **THE PERSON** may file any plea  
28 to the execution [which] **THAT** would be good and sufficient to a scire facias if a scire  
29 facias had issued on the recognizance.

30 [(c)] (3) If the plea is determined in favor of the person who filed the plea,  
31 [he] **THE PERSON** shall be discharged from the forfeiture. However, [he] **THE**  
32 **PERSON** may not be discharged from the execution before a hearing on the plea unless  
33 [he] **THE PERSON**:



1 (ii) if required under the Insurance Article, licensed in  
2 accordance with the Insurance Article.

3 (b) (1) In the circuit courts in the Seventh Judicial Circuit, a bail  
4 bondsman approved under subsection (a) of this section shall pay a license fee of 1% of  
5 the gross value of all bail bonds written in all courts of the circuit, if the fee is  
6 approved by the court of the county in which it applies.

7 (2) The fee shall be paid to the court as required by the rules of court  
8 and shall be used to pay the expenses of carrying out this section.

9 (3) Any absolute bail bond forfeitures collected may be used to pay the  
10 expenses of carrying out this section.]

11 **5-203.**

12 (A) **A BAIL BOND SHALL BE POSTED BY EXECUTING IT IN THE PENALTY**  
13 **AMOUNT AND DEPOSITING WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT THE GREATER OF**  
14 **10% OF THE PENALTY AMOUNT OR \$25.**

15 (B) **A PERSON MAY NOT ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF BAIL BONDS IN A**  
16 **CRIMINAL CASE UNLESS THE PERSON IS LICENSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE**  
17 **INSURANCE ARTICLE.**

18 (C) **NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, IF**  
19 **EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE COURT, A DEFENDANT OR A PERSON ACTING**  
20 **FOR A DEFENDANT WITHOUT COMPENSATION MAY POST A BAIL BOND IN**  
21 **ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.**

22 5-204.

23 [(c) The clerk may not accept security for bail unless:

24 (1) the person offering the security states under oath that the person  
25 owns real or personal property worth the amount of the bail, exclusive of the person's  
26 right to exemption from execution; and

27 (2) the clerk is satisfied that the statement is true.]

28 5-205.

29 (a) A District Court judge may:

30 (1) set bond or bail;

1 (2) release a defendant on personal recognizance or on a personal or  
2 other bail bond;

3 (3) commit a defendant to a correctional facility in default of a bail  
4 bond;

5 (4) order a bail bond forfeited if the defendant fails to meet the  
6 conditions of the bond; and

7 (5) exercise all of the powers of a justice of the peace under the  
8 Constitution of 1867.

9 (b) (1) This subsection does not apply to a defendant who has been  
10 arrested for failure to appear in court or for contempt of court.

11 (2) **A BAIL BOND SHALL BE POSTED BY EXECUTING IT IN THE**  
12 **PENALTY AMOUNT AND DEPOSITING WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT THE**  
13 **GREATER OF 10% OF THE PENALTY AMOUNT OR \$25.**

14 [(2)] (3) (i) Notwithstanding [any other law or rule to the  
15 contrary,] **PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION**, in a criminal or traffic case in the  
16 District Court in which a bail bond has been set and if expressly authorized by the  
17 court or District Court commissioner, the defendant [or a private surety acting for the  
18 defendant] **OR A PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE DEFENDANT WITHOUT**  
19 **COMPENSATION** may post the bail bond by:

20 1. executing it in the full penalty amount; and

21 2. depositing with the clerk of the court or a  
22 commissioner the greater of 10% of the penalty amount or \$25.

23 (ii) A judicial officer may increase the percentage of cash surety  
24 required in a particular case but may not authorize a cash deposit of less than \$25.

25 [(3)] (4) On depositing the amount required under paragraph [(2)]  
26 (3) of this subsection and executing the recognizance, the defendant shall be released  
27 from custody subject to the conditions of the bail bond.

28 (c) (1) When all conditions of the bail bond have been performed without  
29 default and the defendant has been discharged from all obligations in the cause for  
30 which the recognizance was posted, the clerk of the court shall return the deposit to  
31 the person or private surety who deposited it.

32 (2) (i) If the defendant fails to perform any condition of the bail  
33 bond, the bail bond shall be forfeited.

1 (ii) If the bail bond is forfeited, the liability of the bail bond shall  
2 extend to the full amount of the bail bond set and the amount posted as a deposit shall  
3 be applied to reduce the liability incurred by the forfeiture.

4 [5-209.

5 (a) In this section, “property bondsman” means a person other than a  
6 defendant who executes a bail bond secured by real estate in the State.

7 (b) This section does not apply in the seventh judicial circuit.

8 (c) A property bondsman may authorize an agent in writing to execute on  
9 behalf of the property bondsman:

10 (1) a bail bond; and

11 (2) a declaration of trust or deed of trust to secure a bail bond by real  
12 estate.

13 (d) If all other requirements of law are met, a person authorized by law to  
14 take a bail bond shall take a bail bond secured by declaration of trust or deed of trust  
15 on real estate properly executed by an authorized agent of a property bondsman.

16 (e) (1) A person who acts as a property bondsman for compensation shall  
17 provide to the court documentation of ownership, tax status, and liens against the  
18 property posted.

19 (2) A person described under paragraph (1) of this subsection who  
20 willfully provides false documentation is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is  
21 subject to imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both.]

22 5-210.

23 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

24 (2) “Agent” means a person that acts or is authorized to act as the  
25 representative of a bail bondsman.

26 (3) (i) “Bail bondsman” [means a licensed limited surety agent or a  
27 licensed professional bail bondsman] **HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 10-301(C) OF**  
28 **THE INSURANCE ARTICLE.**

29 (ii) “Bail bondsman” does not include a person that contracts  
30 with a public agency to provide bail bonds to persons detained in a correctional  
31 facility.

1 (b) On the grounds of a courthouse or correctional facility, a bail bondsman  
2 or an agent of a bail bondsman may not:

3 (1) approach, entice, or invite a person to use the services of a bail  
4 bondsman;

5 (2) distribute, display, or wear an item that advertises the services of  
6 a bail bondsman; or

7 (3) otherwise solicit business as a bail bondsman.

8 (c) A person who violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a  
9 misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to:

10 (1) a fine not exceeding \$100 for a first offense; and

11 (2) a fine not exceeding \$1,000 for a subsequent offense.

12 (d) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (b) of this section shall be  
13 referred to the Insurance Commissioner for appropriate action.

14 9–118.

15 (a) If the accused is admitted to bail and fails to appear and surrender  
16 according to the conditions of the bond, the judge [or District Court commissioner] by  
17 proper order shall declare the bond forfeited and order the immediate arrest of the  
18 accused without warrant if the accused is within this State.

19 (b) Recovery may be had on the bond in the name of the State as in the case  
20 of other bonds given by the accused in criminal proceedings within this State.

## 21 **Article – Insurance**

22 1–205.

23 [(a)] A county or municipal corporation of the State may not:

24 (1) require an insurer, insurance producer, adjuster, public adjuster,  
25 or advisor to obtain a local certificate of authority or certificate of qualification to  
26 transact insurance business in that county or municipal corporation; or

27 (2) impose a local occupational tax or fee for transacting insurance  
28 business.

29 [(b) This section does not preempt or prevent the taxation and regulation of  
30 persons engaged in the bail bond business other than corporate sureties and their  
31 insurance producers that are required to be licensed under this article.]

1 10–126.

2 (a) The Commissioner may deny a license to an applicant under §§ 2–210  
3 through 2–214 of this article, or suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew or reinstate a  
4 license after notice and opportunity for hearing under §§ 2–210 through 2–214 of this  
5 article if the applicant or holder of the license:

6 (1) has willfully violated this article or another law of the State that  
7 relates to insurance;

8 (2) has intentionally misrepresented or concealed a material fact in  
9 the application for a license;

10 (3) has obtained or attempted to obtain a license by misrepresentation,  
11 concealment, or other fraud;

12 (4) has misappropriated, converted, or unlawfully withheld money  
13 belonging to an insurer, insurance producer, beneficiary, or insured;

14 (5) has willfully and materially misrepresented the provisions of a  
15 policy;

16 (6) has committed fraudulent or dishonest practices in the insurance  
17 business;

18 (7) has participated, with or without the knowledge of an insurer, in  
19 selling motor vehicle insurance without an actual intent to sell the insurance, as  
20 evidenced by a persistent pattern of filing certificates of insurance together with or  
21 closely followed by cancellation notices for the insurance;

22 (8) has been convicted by final judgment in any state or federal court  
23 of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude;

24 (9) has knowingly participated in writing or issuing substantial  
25 over–insurance of property insurance risks;

26 (10) has failed an examination required by this subtitle;

27 (11) has willfully failed to comply with or has willfully violated a proper  
28 order, subpoena, or regulation of the Commissioner or the insurance regulatory  
29 authority of another state;

30 (12) has failed or refused to pay over on demand money that belongs to  
31 an insurer, insurance producer, or other person **OR GOVERNMENTAL UNIT** entitled to  
32 the money;

1           (13) has otherwise shown a lack of trustworthiness or competence to act  
2 as an insurance producer;

3           (14) is not or does not intend to carry on business in good faith and  
4 represent to the public that the person is an insurance producer;

5           (15) has been denied a license or certificate in another state or has had  
6 a license or certificate suspended or revoked in another state;

7           (16) has intentionally or willfully made or issued, or caused to be made  
8 or issued, a statement that materially misrepresents or makes incomplete  
9 comparisons about the terms or conditions of a policy or contract issued by an  
10 authorized insurer, for the purpose of inducing or attempting to induce the owner of  
11 the policy or contract to forfeit or surrender it or allow it to lapse in order to replace it  
12 with another;

13           (17) has transacted insurance business that was directed to the  
14 applicant or holder for consideration by a person whose license or certificate to engage  
15 in the insurance business at the time was suspended or revoked, and the applicant or  
16 holder knew or should have known of the suspension or revocation;

17           (18) has solicited, procured, or negotiated insurance contracts for an  
18 unauthorized insurer, including contracts for nonprofit health service plans, dental  
19 plan organizations, and health maintenance organizations;

20           (19) has knowingly employed or knowingly continued to employ an  
21 individual acting in a fiduciary capacity who has been convicted of a felony or crime of  
22 moral turpitude within the preceding 10 years;

23           (20) has forged another's name to an application for insurance or to any  
24 document related to an insurance transaction;

25           (21) has improperly used notes or any other reference material to  
26 complete an examination for a license;

27           (22) has failed to pay income tax or related interest or penalty under:

28                   (i) an assessment under the Tax – General Article that is final  
29 and no longer subject to review by the tax court; or

30                   (ii) an order of the tax court that is final and no longer subject  
31 to judicial review; [or]

32           (23) in providing information under § 10–118 of this subtitle regarding  
33 the termination of an appointment with an insurer, has made an inaccurate statement  
34 with actual malice; **OR**

1           **(24) HAS VIOLATED § 5-201(B) OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE**  
2 **ARTICLE.**

3 10-301.

4           (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

5           (b) “Bail bond” means a written obligation of a defendant, with or without a  
6 surety or collateral security, that:

7           (1) is conditioned on the appearance of the defendant as required; and

8           (2) provides for the payment of a penal sum according to its terms.

9           (c) **(1) “Bail bondsman” [means an authorized insurance producer of a**  
10 **surety insurer.] MEANS AN INSURANCE PRODUCER WHO:**

11                           **(I) IS LICENSED UNDER TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 1 OF THIS**  
12 **ARTICLE TO SELL PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE; AND**

13                           **(II) PROVIDES BAIL BOND SERVICES.**

14           **(2) “BAIL BONDSMAN” DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

15                           **(I) A DEFENDANT WHO GUARANTEES THE DEFENDANT’S**  
16 **OWN APPEARANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5-203(C) OR § 5-205(B)(3) OF THE**  
17 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE;**

18                           **(II) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO, NOT MORE THAN A TOTAL OF**  
19 **THREE TIMES DURING A CALENDAR YEAR, PROVIDES BAIL BOND SERVICES FOR**  
20 **A GREAT-GRANDPARENT, GRANDPARENT, PARENT, UNCLE, AUNT, BROTHER,**  
21 **SISTER, CHILD, GRANDCHILD, GREAT-GRANDCHILD, NEPHEW, OR NIECE AND IS**  
22 **NOT COMPENSATED FOR ANY OF THOSE SERVICES; OR**

23                           **(III) A PERSON ACTING FOR A DEFENDANT WITHOUT**  
24 **COMPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5-203(C) OR § 5-205(B)(3) OF THE**  
25 **CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.**

26           (d) “Collateral security” means any property deposited, pledged, or  
27 encumbered to secure the performance of a bail bond.

28           (e) “License” means a license issued by the Commissioner to [provide bail  
29 bondsman services] **ACT AS A PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE PRODUCER**  
30 **UNDER SUBTITLE 1 OF THIS TITLE.**

1 (f) (1) "Provide bail [bondsman] BOND services" means to provide any  
2 service in the bail bondsman trade.

3 (2) **"PROVIDE BAIL BOND SERVICES" INCLUDES, IN CONNECTION**  
4 **WITH A JUDICIAL PROCEEDING:**

5 (I) EXECUTING A BAIL BOND AS A SURETY OR AS AN  
6 INSURANCE PRODUCER FOR A SURETY;

7 (II) NEGOTIATING A BAIL BOND;

8 (III) PLEDGING PERSONAL OR REAL PROPERTY TO SECURE A  
9 BAIL BOND;

10 (IV) PROCURING A BAIL BOND;

11 (V) SELLING A BAIL BOND;

12 (VI) SOLICITING A BAIL BOND; OR

13 (VII) OTHERWISE EFFECTUATING A BAIL BOND.

14 (g) (1) "Surety" means a person, other than the defendant, that  
15 guarantees the appearance of the defendant by executing a bail bond.

16 (2) "Surety" includes [an uncompensated or accommodation surety] A  
17 PERSON WHO PROVIDES ANY SERVICE IN THE BAIL BONDSMAN TRADE EVEN  
18 WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

19 (h) "Surety insurer" means a person that, for compensation, directly or  
20 through an authorized insurance producer, acts as a surety on a bail bond.

21 [10-302.

22 This subtitle does not apply to bail bondsmen that provide bail bondsman  
23 services under § 5-203 of the Criminal Procedure Article.]

24 10-304.

25 (a) An individual must obtain a license before the individual [provides bail  
26 bondsman services] ACTS AS A BAIL BONDSMAN in the State.

27 10-305.

1 [An] **TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE, AN** applicant [for a license must be an  
2 individual who meets] **SHALL MEET** the requirements for acting as a property and  
3 casualty insurance producer under Subtitle 1 of this title.

4 [10–308.

5 Each year, each bail bondsman must certify to the Commissioner, on a form  
6 that the Commissioner requires, that the majority of the bail bondsman's income is  
7 from providing bail bondsman services.]

## 8 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

9 3–302.

10 (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section or in  
11 other law, the Central Collection Unit is responsible for the collection of each  
12 delinquent account or other debt that is owed to the State or any of its officials or  
13 units.

14 (2) An official or unit of the State government shall refer to the  
15 Central Collection Unit each debt for which the Central Collection Unit has collection  
16 responsibility under this subsection and may not settle the debt.

17 (3) For the purposes of this subtitle, a community college or board of  
18 trustees for a community college established or operating under Title 16 of the  
19 Education Article is a unit of the State.

20 (b) Unless, with the approval of the Secretary, a unit of the State  
21 government assigns the claim to the Central Collection Unit, the Central Collection  
22 Unit is not responsible for and may not collect:

23 (1) any taxes;

24 (2) any child support payment that is owed under § 5–308 of the  
25 Human Services Article;

26 (3) any unemployment insurance contribution or overpayment;

27 (4) any fine;

28 (5) any court costs;

29 (6) any forfeiture on bond;

30 (7) any money that is owed as a result of a default on a loan that the  
31 Department of Business and Economic Development or the Department of Housing  
32 and Community Development has made or insured; or

1 (8) any money that is owed under Title 9, Subtitles 2, 3, and 4 and  
2 Title 20 of the Insurance Article.

3 (c) The Central Collection Unit shall be responsible for the collection of each  
4 delinquent account or other debt that is owed to a community college established or  
5 operating under Title 16 of the Education Article if the board of trustees for the  
6 community college:

7 (1) adopts a resolution appointing the Central Collection Unit as the  
8 collector of delinquent accounts or other debt; and

9 (2) submits the resolution to the Central Collection Unit.

10 **(D) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B)(6) OF THIS SECTION, THE**  
11 **CENTRAL COLLECTION UNIT SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COLLECTION OF**  
12 **PROPERTY OR AMOUNTS REFERRED UNDER § 11-513 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE.**

13 3-305.

14 **(E) AMOUNTS COLLECTED UNDER § 3-302(D) OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL**  
15 **BE DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7-507 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE.**

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 22-13, 22-14,  
17 22-15, 22-16, 22-17, 22-18, 22-19, 22-20, 22-22, 22-23, 22-24, 22-53, and 22-54 of  
18 Article 4 – Baltimore City of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland be repealed.

19 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 12-29, 12-30,  
20 12-31, 12-32, 12-33, 12-34, 12-34A, 12-35, 12-35A, 12-35B, and 12-35C of Article  
21 16 – Montgomery County of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland be repealed.

22 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3-202(c) and  
23 (d) of Article 22 – Washington County of the Code of Public Laws of Maryland be  
24 repealed.

25 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all laws or parts of laws,  
26 public general, or public local, inconsistent with this Act, are repealed to the extent of  
27 the inconsistency.

28 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act does not affect  
29 any bail bond that, on December 31, 2008, has not been discharged and does not affect  
30 the forfeiture of any bail bond on or before December 31, 2008, or any enforcement  
31 action pending with regard to such forfeiture or any action pending as to the striking  
32 of such forfeiture.

33 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
34 January 1, 2009.

