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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
$\frac{2}{3}$	Criminal Procedure – Undocumented Immigrants – Prohibition on Pretrial Release
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of prohibiting a District Court commissioner from authorizing the pretrial release of a defendant who cannot provide documentation acceptable to the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services certifying that the individual is lawfully present in the United States in accordance with federal law; and generally relating to pretrial release.
9 10 11 12 13	BY adding to Article – Criminal Procedure Section 5–202(f) Annotated Code of Maryland (2001 Volume and 2007 Supplement)
14 15	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
16	Article - Criminal Procedure
17	5–202.
18 19 20 21 22	(F) A DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONER MAY NOT AUTHORIZE THE PRETRIAL RELEASE OF A DEFENDANT WHO CANNOT PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION ACCEPTABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT CERTIFYING THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE UNITED STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW.
$\begin{array}{c} 23 \\ 24 \end{array}$	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

