CHAPTER 739

(House Bill 1545)

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Power of the Director of the Division of Parole and Probation – Authorization to Execute Warrants

FOR the purpose of adding to the powers of the Director of the Division of Parole and Probation the power to authorize certain employees of the Division to execute warrants for the arrest of probationers for whom a warrant is issued for an alleged violation of probation; and generally relating to the power of the Director of the Division of Parole and Probation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Correctional Services

Section 6-106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

Article - Correctional Services

6-106.

- (a) The Director may authorize parole and probation employees of the Division to:
 - (1) execute warrants for the retaking of offenders;
- (2) EXECUTE WARRANTS FOR THE ARREST OF PROBATIONERS FOR WHOM A WARRANT IS ISSUED FOR AN ALLEGED VIOLATION OF PROBATION;
- [(2)] (3) obtain and execute search warrants as authorized under § 6–109 of this subtitle; and
- [(3)] **(4)** arrest offenders in the program as authorized under § 2–207 of the Criminal Procedure Article.
- (b) A parole and probation employee who is authorized to make arrests under this section shall:

- $\qquad \qquad (1) \qquad \text{meet the minimum qualifications required by the Maryland Police Training Commission; and}$
- (2) complete satisfactorily the training prescribed by the Maryland Police Training Commission.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 19, 2009.