

Chapter 234

(Senate Bill 374)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Circuit Court – Grand Jury Investigation

FOR the purpose of altering the law relating to grand jury investigations in Baltimore City by requiring a grand jury to carry out an investigation if directed to by a judge of the circuit court instead of as directed by a judge of the circuit court; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a grand jury investigation in Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 8–417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

8–417.

- (a) This section applies only to a grand jury for Baltimore City.
- (b) In addition to any other duty imposed by law, each grand jury shall carry out an investigation [as] **IF** a judge of the circuit court directs.
- (c) At the end of the period for which a grand jury sits, the grand jury shall submit to the jury commissioner of the circuit court a report on each of its investigations and recommendations.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any investigation begun by a grand jury in Baltimore City before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.

Approved by the Governor, May 10, 2011.