HOUSE BILL 930

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Correctional Services – Correctional Officer – Emergency Suspension Rescinded

- FOR the purpose of providing that a State correctional officer who receives an
 emergency suspension without pay after being charge charged with a felony and
 who is not convicted of the felony shall have the emergency suspension
 rescinded and any lost time, compensation, status, and benefits restored;
 providing that this Act does not apply to a State correctional officer under
 certain circumstances; and generally relating to the rights of a State
 correctional officer.
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Correctional Services
- 13 Section 10–913
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
 - Article Correctional Services

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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1 10–913.

 $\mathbf{2}$ This subtitle does not prohibit emergency suspension with pay by a (a)3 correctional officer of higher rank as designated by the appointing authority. 4 (b) (1)The appointing authority may impose emergency suspension with pay if it appears that the action is in the best interest of the inmates, the public, and $\mathbf{5}$ 6 the correctional facility. 7(2)If the correctional officer is suspended with pay, the appointing authority may suspend the correctional powers of the correctional officer and reassign 8 9 the correctional officer to restricted duties pending: 10 (i) a determination by a court with respect to a criminal 11 violation; or 12(ii) a final determination by the hearing board or the Office of 13Administrative Hearings with respect to a correctional facility violation. 14A correctional officer who is suspended under this subsection is (3)15entitled to a prompt hearing. 16If a correctional officer is charged with a felony, the appointing (c) (1)17authority may impose an emergency suspension of correctional powers without pay. 18(2)A correctional officer who is suspended under paragraph (1) of this subsection is entitled to a prompt hearing, held no more than 90 days after the 1920suspension. 21(3) \blacksquare EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS 22SUBSECTION, A CORRECTIONAL OFFICER WHO IS SUSPENDED UNDER 23PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND WHO IS NOT CONVICTED OF THE 24FELONY FOR WHICH THE SUSPENSION WAS IMPOSED SHALL HAVE: 25**(I)** THE SUSPENSION RESCINDED; AND 26**(II)** ANY LOST TIME, COMPENSATION, STATUS, AND 27**BENEFITS RESTORED.** 28(4) PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A 29**CORRECTIONAL OFFICER WHO:** 30 **(I) RESIGNS BEFORE THE DISPOSITION OF THE CRIMINAL** 31 MATTER FOR WHICH THE SUSPENSION WAS IMPOSED; OR

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1(II)IS NO LONGER EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT WHEN2A DETERMINATION IS MADE BY A COURT WITH RESPECT TO THE CRIMINAL3MATTER FOR WHICH THE SUSPENSION WAS IMPOSED.

- 4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 5 October 1, 2012
- 5 October 1, 2012.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.