

SENATE BILL 956

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CF HB 1377

By: **Senator Brinkley**

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Government – Mental Health and Law Enforcement Advisory Board**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Mental Health and Law Enforcement Advisory
4 Board; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Board;
5 prohibiting a member of the Board from receiving certain compensation, but
6 authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Board to
7 make recommendations regarding the establishment of a certain center, report
8 its findings and recommendations, on or before a certain date, to the Governor
9 and certain committees of the General Assembly, and provide ongoing support
10 and assistance to a certain center; and generally relating to the Mental Health
11 and Law Enforcement Advisory Board.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – State Government

14 Section 9–3001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 30. Mental Health and
15 Law Enforcement Advisory Board”

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – State Government**

21 **SUBTITLE 30. MENTAL HEALTH AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY BOARD.**

22 **9–3001.**

23 **(A) THERE IS A MENTAL HEALTH AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY**
24 **BOARD.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:**

2 **(1) ONE MEMBER OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY**
3 **THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;**

4 **(2) ONE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY**
5 **THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;**

6 **(3) THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, OR THE**
7 **SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;**

8 **(4) THE SECRETARY OF JUVENILE SERVICES, OR THE**
9 **SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;**

10 **(5) THE SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL**
11 **SERVICES, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;**

12 **(6) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND POLICE AND**
13 **CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSIONS, JOINTLY APPOINTED BY THE CHAIRS**
14 **OF THE COMMISSIONS;**

15 **(7) THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL**
16 **ILLNESS (NAMI) MARYLAND, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;**

17 **(8) THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARYLAND SHERIFFS'**
18 **ASSOCIATION, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;**

19 **(9) THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARYLAND CHIEFS OF POLICE**
20 **ASSOCIATION, INC., OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;**

21 **(10) THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARYLAND CORRECTIONAL**
22 **ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE; AND**

23 **(11) ONE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.**

24 **(C) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A CHAIR FROM AMONG THE**
25 **MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.**

26 **(D) THE TERM OF THE MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR IS 4**
27 **YEARS.**

1 **(E) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, THE**
2 **DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC**
3 **SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES JOINTLY SHALL PROVIDE STAFF FOR**
4 **THE BOARD.**

5 **(F) A MEMBER OF THE BOARD:**

6 **(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE**
7 **BOARD; BUT**

8 **(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE**
9 **STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE**
10 **BUDGET.**

11 **(G) (1) THE BOARD SHALL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING**
12 **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MARYLAND CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND BEHAVIORAL**
13 **HEALTH STATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER THAT WILL:**

14 **(I) ASSIST COUNTIES IN APPLYING FOR GRANTS FOR**
15 **MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTION PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN THE**
16 **CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IN THE COUNTIES;**

17 **(II) ASSIST COUNTIES IN MONITORING THE EFFECT OF THE**
18 **MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTION PROGRAMS;**

19 **(III) DISSEMINATE AND SHARE EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES**
20 **AND BEST PRACTICES AMONG COUNTIES THAT HAVE RECEIVED GRANTS;**

21 **(IV) ACT AS A CLEARINGHOUSE FOR INFORMATION AND**
22 **RESOURCES RELATED TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE, JUVENILE JUSTICE, MENTAL**
23 **HEALTH, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE; AND**

24 **(V) PROVIDE ACCESS TO STATE AND NATIONAL TRAINERS**
25 **AND EXPERTS IN MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTION.**

26 **(2) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2014, THE BOARD SHALL REPORT**
27 **ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING ANY RECOMMENDED**
28 **LEGISLATION, REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MARYLAND CRIMINAL**
29 **JUSTICE AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER**
30 **TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE**
31 **SENATE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE, THE SENATE EDUCATION,**
32 **HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, THE HOUSE JUDICIARY**

1 COMMITTEE, AND THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
2 COMMITTEE.

3 (3) AFTER THE MARYLAND CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND
4 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER IS
5 ESTABLISHED, THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT AND
6 ASSISTANCE TO THE CENTER.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 July 1, 2013.