

# HOUSE BILL 358

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Assigned to: Judiciary

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Law Enforcement Personnel – Training – Human Trafficking Offenses**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to  
4 develop a training program for certain individuals in addressing human  
5 trafficking; requiring the training program to focus on certain issues; requiring  
6 the Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to seek the input and  
7 participation of certain organizations in the development of the training  
8 program; and generally relating to training in addressing human trafficking.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Criminal Law

11 Section 11–307

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Criminal Law**

17 **11–307.**

18 **(A) THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION**  
19 **SHALL DEVELOP A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,**  
20 **PROSECUTORS, PUBLIC DEFENDERS, JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER STAFF,**  
21 **AND OTHERS INVOLVED IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND JUVENILE**  
22 **JUSTICE SYSTEM IN ADDRESSING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) THE TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF**  
2 **THIS SECTION SHALL FOCUS ON:**

3           **(1) HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSES IN THE STATE;**

4           **(2) METHODS USED IN IDENTIFYING UNITED STATES CITIZEN**  
5 **AND FOREIGN NATIONAL VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, INCLUDING**  
6 **PRELIMINARY INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES AND APPROPRIATE QUESTIONING**  
7 **METHODS;**

8           **(3) METHODS FOR PROSECUTING HUMAN TRAFFICKERS;**

9           **(4) METHODS OF INCREASING EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION WITH**  
10 **NONGOVERNMENTAL AND SOCIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COURSE OF**  
11 **INVESTIGATING AND PROSECUTING A HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE;**

12           **(5) METHODS FOR PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF**  
13 **HUMAN TRAFFICKING, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED TO CONSIDER HUMAN**  
14 **RIGHTS AND SPECIAL NEEDS OF VICTIMS WHO ARE WOMEN OR MINORS;**

15           **(6) THE NECESSITY OF TREATING VICTIMS OF HUMAN**  
16 **TRAFFICKING AS CRIME VICTIMS RATHER THAN CRIMINALS; AND**

17           **(7) METHODS FOR PROMOTING THE SAFETY OF VICTIMS OF**  
18 **HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

19           **(C) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION**  
20 **SHALL SEEK THE INPUT AND PARTICIPATION OF APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENTAL**  
21 **AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE**  
22 **TRAINING PROGRAM REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.**

23           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 October 1, 2014.