

SENATE BILL 270

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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 provide mandatory training for certain individuals in addressing human
5 trafficking; requiring the training to focus on certain issues; requiring the
6 Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention to seek the input and
7 participation of certain organizations in the preparation and presentation of the
8 training; 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 PROVIDE MANDATORY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,**
20 **PROSECUTORS, PUBLIC DEFENDERS, JUDGES, JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER**
21 **STAFF, OTHERS INVOLVED IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND JUVENILE**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 JUSTICE SYSTEM, AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN ADDRESSING HUMAN
2 TRAFFICKING.

3 (B) THE TRAINING REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION
4 SHALL FOCUS ON:

5 (1) HUMAN TRAFFICKING OFFENSES IN THE STATE;

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

10 (3) METHODS FOR PROSECUTING HUMAN TRAFFICKERS;

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

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

17 (6) THE NECESSITY OF TREATING VICTIMS OF HUMAN
18 TRAFFICKING AS CRIME VICTIMS RATHER THAN CRIMINALS; AND

19 (7) METHODS FOR PROMOTING THE SAFETY OF VICTIMS OF
20 HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

21 (C) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION
22 SHALL SEEK THE INPUT AND PARTICIPATION OF APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENTAL
23 AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PREPARATION AND
24 PRESENTATION OF THE TRAINING REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.

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