HOUSE BILL 1314

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By: **Delegate R. Watson** Introduced and read first time: February 15, 2019 Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Criminal Procedure – Victims and Witnesses – Restrictions on Release of 3 Personal Information

- FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a certain person may withhold
 the address or telephone number of a certain victim, victim's representative, or
 witness before a certain trial or adjudicatory hearing; and generally relating to
 protection of victims and witnesses.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Criminal Procedure
- 10 Section 11–205
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2018 Replacement Volume)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Criminal Procedure

16 11-205.

On request of the State, a victim of or witness to a [felony] **CRIME** or delinquent act [that would be a felony if committed by an adult], or a victim's representative, a judge, State's Attorney, District Court commissioner, intake officer, or law enforcement officer may withhold the address or telephone number of the victim, victim's representative, or witness before the trial or adjudicatory hearing in a juvenile delinquency proceeding, unless a judge determines that good cause has been shown for the release of the information.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 24 October 1, 2019.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

