

SENATE BILL 287

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SB 643/21 – JPR

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By: **Senator Hough**

Introduced and read first time: January 19, 2022

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Services – Division of Parole and Probation – Definition of**
3 **Absconding**

4 FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of “absconding”, as it relates to parole and
5 probation, to include leaving an inpatient residential treatment facility that an
6 individual was placed in under court order without the permission of a certain
7 administrator; and generally relating to the Division of Parole and Probation.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

9 Article – Correctional Services

10 Section 6–101(a)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Correctional Services

15 Section 6–101(b)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Correctional Services**

21 6–101.

22 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

23 (b) (1) “Absconding” means willfully evading supervision.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) **“ABSCONDING” INCLUDES LEAVING AN INPATIENT RESIDENTIAL**
2 **TREATMENT FACILITY THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WAS PLACED IN UNDER A COURT ORDER**
3 **FOR DRUG OR ALCOHOL TREATMENT WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE**
4 **ADMINISTRATOR, AS DEFINED IN § 8–101 OF THE HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE.**

5 (3) “Absconding” does not include missing a single appointment with a
6 supervising authority.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2022.