

SENATE BILL 882

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By: **Chair, Joint Committee on Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight**

Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2022

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Services – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Testing**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing, instead of requiring, the Secretary of Public Safety and
4 Correctional Services to require an individual to pass a polygraph examination
5 before being appointed to serve as a correctional officer in a correctional facility ; and
6 generally relating to polygraph testing of correctional officers.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Correctional Services

9 Section 3–215(f)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Correctional Services**

15 3–215.

16 (f) (1) The Secretary [shall] **MAY** require an individual to pass a polygraph
17 examination before being appointed to serve as a correctional officer in a correctional
18 facility.

19 (2) The Secretary shall adopt regulations governing the administration of
20 the polygraph examination [required] **AUTHORIZED** under paragraph (1) of this
21 subsection.

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

