SENATE BILL 882

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

AN ACT concerning

Correctional Services – Correctional Officers – Polygraph Testing

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

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Correctional Services
Section 3–215(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Correctional Services

3–215.

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

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

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