

SENATE BILL 571

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CF HB 582

By: **Senators Folden, Corderman, and Gallion**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Police Accountability – Time Limit for Filing Administrative**
3 **Charges**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a law enforcement agency to file any administrative charges
5 arising out of an investigation of alleged police officer misconduct that is not required
6 to be reviewed by an administrative charging committee within a certain period of
7 time after the incident that led to the investigation; and generally relating to police
8 accountability.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Public Safety
11 Section 3–113
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2022 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article – Public Safety**

17 3–113.

18 (a) The investigating unit of a law enforcement agency shall immediately review
19 a complaint by a member of the public alleging police officer misconduct.

20 (b) An administrative charging committee shall review and make a determination
21 or ask for further review within 30 days after completion of the investigating unit’s review.

22 (c) The process of review by the investigating unit through disposition by the
23 administrative charging committee shall be completed within 1 year and 1 day after the
24 filing of a complaint by a citizen.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(D) A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHALL FILE ANY ADMINISTRATIVE**
2 **CHARGES ARISING OUT OF AN INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED POLICE OFFICER**
3 **MISCONDUCT THAT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE REVIEWED BY AN ADMINISTRATIVE**
4 **CHARGING COMMITTEE WITHIN 1 YEAR AND 1 DAY FROM THE DATE OF THE**
5 **INCIDENT THAT LED TO THE INVESTIGATION.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2023.