

HOUSE BILL 987

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By: **Delegates Ivey, Acevero, and Toles**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2026

Assigned to: Judiciary and Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Maryland Violence Intervention and Prevention Program Fund**
3 **– Alterations**
4 **(Community Safety and Intervention Funding Act)**

5 FOR the purpose of altering the mandated appropriation for the Maryland Violence
6 Intervention and Prevention Program Fund; establishing authorized distribution
7 amounts from the Fund; and generally relating to the Maryland Violence
8 Intervention and Prevention Program Fund.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Public Safety
11 Section 4–902(a)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Public Safety
16 Section 4–902(e) and 4–905(c)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

19 BY adding to
20 Article – Public Safety
21 Section 4–905(d)
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

26 **Article – Public Safety**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 4-902.

2 (a) There is a Maryland Violence Intervention and Prevention Program Fund.

3 (e) (1) The Fund consists of:

4 (i) money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund;

5 (ii) investment earnings of the Fund; and

6 (iii) money from any other source accepted for the benefit of the Fund.

7 (2) [(i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the Governor may
8 annually appropriate up to \$10,000,000 to the Fund.

9 (ii) The Governor shall annually include in the annual budget bill an
10 appropriation composed of at least \$3,000,000 in general funds to the Fund] **FOR FISCAL**
11 **YEAR 2028 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE**
12 **IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST \$10,000,000 TO THE**
13 **FUND.**

14 4-905.

15 (c) **[Funding] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION,**
16 **FUNDING** awards shall be commensurate with:

17 (1) the levels of gun violence in the jurisdiction served by the local
18 government or nonprofit organization; and

19 (2) the strength of the local government or nonprofit organization's
20 application.

21 **(D) OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR GRANTS THROUGH THE FUND**
22 **IN EACH FISCAL YEAR:**

23 **(1) UP TO 40% SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO PROGRAMS SERVING THE**
24 **BALTIMORE REGION, COMPOSED OF BALTIMORE CITY AND BALTIMORE COUNTY;**

25 **(2) UP TO 40% SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO PROGRAMS SERVING THE**
26 **CAPITAL REGION, COMPOSED OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S**
27 **COUNTY; AND**

1 **(3) ANY REMAINING SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS**
2 **DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED BY VIOLENCE, AS DETERMINED BY THE**
3 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
5 1, 2026.