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Bill # / Title: HB 214 - Juveniles - Reportable Offenses

Committee: Judiciary

Position: Letter of Information

The Department of Juvenile Services (DJS) is providing information for HB 214.

HB 214 requires DJS, for students committed to its custody, to notify the principal of a school in which the student has enrolled or to which the student has been transferred of the following information:

- The student's arrest for a reportable offense or offense related to the student's membership in a criminal organization;
- The disposition of the reportable offense; and
- The educational and related services provided to the youth while in commitment.

HB 214 is Duplicative

Current law already provides processes for sharing all the information contemplated by HB 214.

- **The student's arrest for a reportable offense or offense related to the student's membership in a criminal organization;**
Law enforcement is required to notify the local superintendent, the school principal, and the school security officer of a student's arrest for a reportable offense or an offense that is related to the student's membership in a criminal organization. This notification is mandatory and must be provided within in 24 hours of the arrest. MD Code, Education, 7-303(b); Page 3, line 11 of HB 214.
- **The disposition of the reportable offense; and**
The State's Attorney is required to notify the local superintendent or the school principal of the disposition of the reportable offense. MD Code, Education, 7-303(c); Page 3, line 21 of HB 214.
- **The educational and related services provided to the youth while in commitment.**
Current law already provides a process for the transmission of educational records between DJS educational programs and local schools. MD Code, Education, 9-604(a)(4).

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