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## **HB 756**

Correctional Services – Transfers to Federal Authorities – Undocumented Immigrants
Protecting Marylanders From Violent Crime Act of 2022

## Why Do We Need This Bill?

As Maryland continues to struggle to bring this violent crime crisis under control, citizens in Maryland are counting on our public safety professionals to have all the tools and information possible to keep our communities safe.

State and local correctional facilities should be required to comply with ICE detainers for those convicted of violent crimes. States with these dangerous sanctuary policies are finding themselves subject to federal subpoenas for information they should be readily providing immigration officials. This lack of cooperation with ICE blocks federal investigations and takes up resources that could be better spent getting violent criminals off our streets. More importantly, releasing violent criminals into the community when they are wanted by ICE endangers the public.

In Anne Arundel County, six MS13 gang members from the Balt/Wash area who call their gang the Fulton Locos are being held for two gruesome murders including a beheading and gang activities. ICE has a detainer on them and will deport them once they are released. Correctional facilities MUST cooperate with ICE to protect the public from these dangerous criminals.

## What This Bill Does?

The Protecting Marylanders from Violent Crime Act of 2022 requires state and local correctional facilities to transfer an undocumented immigrant to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security when requested by the DHS ONLY if he/she were convicted of violent crimes, terrorism, and participation in criminal street gangs.

Protect Marylanders from Violent Crime
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