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To: Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
From: Carrie J. Williams, Chair, Legislative Committee, Criminal Law and Practice
Section
Date: 1/24/2023
Subject: SB115– Juvenile Court—Concurrent Jurisdiction—Juvenile Offenses on
Military Installations
Position: **Support**

The Legislative Committee of the Criminal Law and Practice Section of the Maryland State Bar Association (MSBA) Supports SB115– Juvenile Court—Concurrent Jurisdiction—Juvenile Offenses on Military Installations.

This bill gives the juvenile court concurrent jurisdiction in cases where children are alleged to have violated federal law on a military installation and the federal court waives jurisdiction. Granting concurrent jurisdiction in these cases provides flexibility and, in appropriate circumstances, allows the juvenile to receive services through the state juvenile system. For these reasons, we support SB115.

If you have questions about the position of the Criminal Law and Practice Section’s Legislative Committee, please feel free to address them to me at carriej.williams@gmail.com.

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