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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Justice and Public Safety Reporting Requirements – Alterations**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the information required to be provided by local law  
4 enforcement agencies and collected, analyzed, and reported by the Governor’s Office  
5 of Crime Prevention and Policy under a certain provision of law; altering the annual  
6 due dates for certain reports required to be submitted by the Office; repealing a  
7 certain periodic reporting requirement for the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center  
8 in the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy; altering a certain  
9 requirement that a certain panel of criminal justice system stakeholders be convened  
10 for a certain purpose at a certain time; and generally relating to criminal justice and  
11 public safety reporting requirements.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article – Public Safety  
14 Section 3–507, 4–107, 4–401(d), and 4–1601(d)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Criminal Procedure  
19 Section 10–219, 11–928(f), and 17–105

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

5 **Article – Public Safety**

6 ~~3-507.~~

7 ~~(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.~~

8 ~~(2) “Death in the line of duty” means the death of a law enforcement officer~~  
9 ~~occurring while the officer is acting in the officer’s official capacity while on duty or while~~  
10 ~~the officer is off duty, but performing activities that are within the scope of the officer’s~~  
11 ~~official duties.~~

12 ~~(3) “Law enforcement agency” has the meaning stated in § 2-101 of this~~  
13 ~~article.~~

14 ~~(4) (i) “Law enforcement officer” has the meaning stated in § 1-101 of~~  
15 ~~this article.~~

16 ~~(ii) “Law enforcement officer” includes a private security officer~~  
17 ~~performing duties as part of a contract with a law enforcement agency.~~

18 ~~[(5) “Officer involved death” means the death of an individual resulting~~  
19 ~~directly from an act or omission of a law enforcement officer while the officer is on duty or~~  
20 ~~while the officer is off duty, but performing activities that are within the scope of the~~  
21 ~~officer’s official duties.]~~

22 ~~(b) Every year, on or before March 1, 2016, and March 1 of each subsequent year,~~  
23 ~~each local law enforcement agency shall provide the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention~~  
24 ~~and Policy with information, for the previous calendar year, about each [officer involved~~  
25 ~~death and] death in the line of duty that involved a law enforcement officer employed by~~  
26 ~~the agency, to include at a minimum:~~

27 ~~(1) [the age, gender, ethnicity, and race of a deceased individual;~~

1 ~~(2) the age, gender, ethnicity, and race of the officer [involved] WHO DIED~~  
2 ~~IN THE LINE OF DUTY;~~

3 ~~[(3) (2) a brief description of the circumstances surrounding the death,~~

4 ~~[(4) (3) the date, time, and location of the death, and~~

5 ~~[(5) (4) the law enforcement agency of the officer who[:~~

6 ~~(i) died, if the incident involved an officer who died in the line of~~  
7 ~~duty; or~~

8 ~~(ii) detained, arrested, or was in the process of arresting the~~  
9 ~~deceased, if the incident involved an officer involved death] DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.~~

10 ~~(c) The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy shall adopt procedures~~  
11 ~~for the collection and analysis of the information described in subsection (b) of this section.~~

12 ~~(d) The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy shall analyze and~~  
13 ~~disseminate the information provided under subsection (b) of this section.~~

14 ~~(e) The Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy shall make an annual~~  
15 ~~report on the incidence of [officer involved deaths and] deaths in the line of duty in the~~  
16 ~~State to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government~~  
17 ~~Article, on or before June 30 of each year.~~

18 4-107.

19 On or before [September] **OCTOBER** 1 of each year, the Executive Director shall  
20 report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, to the  
21 General Assembly on:

22 (1) the distribution of money under this subtitle; and

23 (2) the ratio of protective body armor to police officers in each local  
24 jurisdiction of the State that applied for money from the Fund.

1 4-401.

2 (d) The Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and  
3 Policy shall:

4 (1) administer the Fund;

5 (2) establish and publish procedures for the distribution of funding to law  
6 enforcement agencies;

7 (3) ensure each jurisdiction in the State that has a forensic laboratory is  
8 able to access the Fund;

9 (4) consider the number of sexual assault incidents that were investigated  
10 by a law enforcement agency in the prior fiscal year when distributing funding; and

11 (5) submit a report with information on the distribution of funding to the  
12 General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, before  
13 [September] **OCTOBER** 1 each year.

14 4-1601.

15 (d) The Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and  
16 Policy shall:

17 (1) administer the Fund;

18 (2) establish and publish procedures for the distribution of grants to  
19 nonprofit organizations, including faith-based organizations;

20 (3) set aside a minimum of \$1,000,000 each year for grants to faith-based  
21 organizations to increase security measures against faith-based hate crimes, with priority  
22 given to applicants that can demonstrate a high prevalence of hate crimes against members  
23 of and institutions representing the applicant’s faith; and

24 (4) submit to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the  
25 State Government Article, a report on the distribution of funding before [September]  
26 **OCTOBER** 1 each year.

1 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

2 10–219.

3 (a) Except in accordance with applicable federal law and regulations, a criminal  
4 justice unit and the Central Repository may not disseminate criminal history record  
5 information.

6 (b) (1) The Central Repository shall disseminate on a monthly basis  
7 information concerning a child charged as an adult to the Maryland [Justice]  
8 **STATISTICAL** Analysis Center [of the Institute of Criminal Justice and Criminology of the  
9 University of Maryland] **IN THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION AND**  
10 **POLICY.**

11 (2) In addition to any reportable event, as defined in § 10–215 of this  
12 subtitle, the Central Repository shall include in its dissemination of information to the  
13 Maryland [Justice] **STATISTICAL** Analysis Center the age, race, and gender of the child.

14 (3) The Central Repository may disseminate to the Maryland [Justice]  
15 **STATISTICAL** Analysis Center unique identifiers relating to the child, including the name  
16 of the child, fingerprint identification numbers, and record or file numbers.

17 (4) The information disseminated to the Maryland [Justice] **STATISTICAL**  
18 Analysis Center in accordance with this subsection shall be used only for the purposes of  
19 research, evaluation, and statistical analysis.

20 (5) Except as otherwise required under State law, the Maryland [Justice]  
21 **STATISTICAL** Analysis Center may not disseminate criminal history record information  
22 received from the Central Repository.

23 [(6) By June 30 and December 31 of each year, the Maryland Justice  
24 Analysis Center shall report to the Governor, and, subject to § 2–1257 of the State  
25 Government Article, the General Assembly, on the results of its research, evaluation, and  
26 statistical analysis.]

27 11–928.

1 (f) On or before [June] **OCTOBER** 1 each year, the Governor’s Office of Crime  
2 Prevention and Policy shall submit an annual report, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the  
3 State Government Article, on child advocacy centers to the General Assembly.

4 ~~17-105.~~

5 ~~(a) On or before [June 1 annually] **DECEMBER 31 OF EVERY**~~  
6 ~~**EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR**, the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention and Policy shall~~  
7 ~~submit a publicly available report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the~~  
8 ~~State Government Article, the General Assembly, that shall include, for the preceding~~  
9 ~~calendar year:~~

10 (1) ~~the number of requests for FGGS made, broken down by number of~~  
11 ~~requests made by prosecutors, pretrial defendants, and postconviction defendants;~~

12 (2) ~~the number of times FGGS was granted and the basis of each grant or~~  
13 ~~denial;~~

14 (3) ~~the number of putative perpetrators identified through FGGS;~~

15 (4) ~~the number of covert collections of reference samples from putative~~  
16 ~~perpetrators, a description of the methods used during the covert collection, the time period~~  
17 ~~needed to perform the covert collection, any complaints from individuals subject to~~  
18 ~~surveillance during the covert collections, and any complaints or suggestions from judges~~  
19 ~~supervising the covert collections;~~

20 (5) ~~an evaluation of the “pursued reasonable investigative leads”~~  
21 ~~requirement in accordance with § 17-102(b)(4) of this title, including scientific, public, and~~  
22 ~~nonforensic;~~

23 (6) ~~the costs of the FGGS procedures;~~

24 (7) ~~the race and age of those identified as putative perpetrators;~~

25 (8) ~~the number of times a third party reference sample was requested and~~  
26 ~~collected, and the race and age of the third parties;~~

1 ~~(9) the number of requests made by defendants and postconviction lawyers;~~  
2 ~~and~~

3 ~~(10) the outcome of each authorized search, including whether the search~~  
4 ~~resulted in an arrest or a conviction for the target offense.~~

5 ~~(b) [A panel comprising] AT THE DISCRETION OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE~~  
6 ~~OF CRIME PREVENTION AND POLICY OR ON REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR OR THE~~  
7 ~~GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION AND~~  
8 ~~POLICY SHALL CONVENE A PANEL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS,~~  
9 ~~WHICH MAY INCLUDE judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, public defenders, law~~  
10 ~~enforcement officials, crime laboratory directors, bioethicists, racial justice experts,~~  
11 ~~criminal justice researchers, civil and privacy rights organizations, and organizations~~  
12 ~~representing families impacted by the criminal justice system, [shall be convened] to~~  
13 ~~review [the annual report each year] FGGS DATA and make policy recommendations TO~~  
14 ~~BE INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR'S FGGS REPORT.~~

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
16 October 1, 2025.