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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
FROM: Legislative Committee
Suzanne D. Pelz, Esq.
410-260-1523
RE: Senate Bill 649
Criminal Procedure – Expungement – No Finding and Case
Terminated Without Finding
DATE: February 6, 2025
(2/12)

INFORMATIONAL COMMENT PAPER

The Judiciary respects the separation of powers doctrine and acknowledges that the legislature is the policy-making branch. As such, the Judiciary has no position on the policy aims of this legislation and defers to the legislative branch on such matters.

The Judiciary only writes to comment that the language on pages 3 and 4 regarding a “no finding determination” could use clarification. This language is undefined and implies that the sentence was rendered by consent. It is unclear when this would apply or occur.

cc. Hon. C. Anthony Muse
Judicial Council
Legislative Committee
Kelley O'Connor