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# ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



14300 McMullen Highway SW, Cumberland, Maryland 21502

*Sheriff Craig A. Robertson*

03/03/2026

Chairman Barnes  
Appropriations Comm. Chairman  
120 Taylor House Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

**Re: House Bill 1194 – Support**

Dear Chairman Barnes:

I am writing today to offer support for HB1194. As an administrator in Allegany County, I know firsthand how difficult it has been over the past several years to hire individuals with the knowledge and work ethic necessary to succeed in corrections.

Not just as a Correctional Officer, but as support staff within the facility. The barrier placed in the existing law has hindered our facility and denied good people the opportunity to return and contribute to the agency they helped to build.

Please look favorably upon this legislation.

Sincerely,



Captain Daniel B. Lasher  
Asst. Administrator  
Allegany County Detention Center.

Alternative Sentencing

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# **HB 1194 Testimony J. Partlow.pdf**

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Senate Budget & Tax Committee  
Chair Guy Guzzone  
Vice Chair Jim Rosapepe  
3 West Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**Testimony In Support of SB 710 -  
Correctional Officers' Retirement System - Reemployment After Retirement -  
Exemption from Earnings Offset**

Chair Guzzone, Vice Chair Rosapepe, and Members of the Budget & Tax Committee,

Thank you for taking the time to hear me. My name is Jason Partlow and I am a retired Correctional Officer Lt. I am currently employed as the Lead Bailiff at Washington County District Court. I retired from Corrections with 20 years of service, and have been employed with the District Court for 3 years. I am not here representing Maryland Judiciary or any other Maryland agency, I am here representing myself during this hearing. Currently I am under an earnings limitation through the Corrections Pension system for the first 5 years. If I would have retired, reapplied and accepted a contractual position back in Corrections, I would have been exempt from the earnings limitation but because I applied and accepted a different contractual position with a different entity within the State, I am subject to the limitation. I started working part time at the District Court because of this limitation. After 6 months on the job we began to lose employees and it was hard to find qualified candidates. At that time, I picked up hours to assist with keeping the Courthouse safe. Since I have been working with Washington County District court, the hiring of Bailiffs has been difficult. My increased hours put me over the earnings limit, and the MD retirement agency takes \$255 out of my pension every month. I believe if this limitation is changed or lifted, this will assist in filling vacancies throughout the State with qualified people. I have served my community for 23 years now and would like to continue to work full-time, but without a limitation.

# **HB1194 - Correctional Officers Retirement System**

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**HB 1194 – Correctional Officers Retirement System – Reemployment After Retirement – Exemption from Earnings.**

MCAA Position: **SUPPORT**

TO: Appropriations Committee

DATE: March 16, 2026

FROM: Christopher Klein, President  
Lamonte Cooke, Legislative Committee  
Mary Ann Thompson, Legislative Committee

The Maryland Correctional Administrators' Association (MCAA) supports HB 1194, which exempts retirees of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System from earnings limitations when reemployed by a participating employer.

Correctional work remains one of the most demanding public safety professions. Operating within secure facilities and under challenging shift conditions makes recruitment and retention increasingly difficult. Allowing retired officers to return to service without financial penalty will strengthen correctional agencies by expanding access to experienced personnel and alleviating staffing shortages.

For these reasons, the MCAA respectfully urges a **favorable report on HB1194EmploymentCorrectional**. Thank you for your consideration of our position and for your continued commitment to supporting Maryland's correctional workforce.