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ALLEGANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



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Sheriff Craig A. Robertson

03/03/2026

Chairman Guzzone,
Budget and Taxation Comm. Chairman
3 West
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Re: Senate Bill 710 – Support

Dear Chairman Guzzone:

I am writing today to offer support for SB 710. 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.

HB 0710.pdf

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HB0710 – Criminal Law - Display of Obscene Material to Minors

This bill is good because it strengthens protections in public schools by prohibiting them from openly displaying or distributing obscene items (now explicitly including drawings and illustrations) to students, such as materials principally depicting illicit sex or nude/partially nude figures in an obscene way. It builds on existing criminal prohibitions against displaying such content to minors generally, with misdemeanor penalties for violations. By ensuring school environments remain free from exposure to pornographic or highly sexualized representations, it helps preserve age-appropriate education and shields children from content that could be psychologically harmful or ideologically intrusive.

SB 710 Testimony J. Partlow.pdf

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Senate Budget & Tax Committee
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**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.

SB710 - Correctional Officers Retirement System -

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SB 0710 – Correctional Officers Retirement System – Reemployment After Retirement – Exemption from Earnings.)

MCAA Position: **SUPPORT**

TO: Budget and Taxation Committee

DATE: March 3, 2026

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

The Maryland Correctional Administrators' Association (MCAA) supports SB 710, 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 SB 710**. Thank you for your consideration of our position and for your continued commitment to supporting Maryland's correctional workforce.

SB 710 Testimony.pdf

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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

March 5, 2026

Senate Budget & Tax Committee
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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 the opportunity to present SB 710. SB 710 removes an unnecessary barrier that prevents experienced state retirees from returning to work in public service. SB 710 will exempt retired correctional officers from the limitation in retirement allowances for individuals who return to employment with a participating employer. SB 710 bill makes it possible for skilled, knowledgeable professionals to step back into the workforce without being financially penalized. At a time when many agencies face staffing shortages and institutional experience gaps, this is a practical and timely solution.

SB 710 provides balance to retirees by allowing them to receive the benefits they have earned, strengthens the workforce, and helps government operate more effectively for the people it serves.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill, and we respectfully request a favorable report on SB 710.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. D. Corderman".

Senator Paul D. Corderman – District 2, Washington & Frederick Counties