

HOUSE BILL 785

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ENROLLED BILL

— Judiciary/Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation —

Introduced by **Delegate R. Lewis**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 ~~Baltimore City – District Court – Jobs Court Pilot Program~~
3 Courts – Baltimore City Jobs Court Pilot Program and Circuit Court Real
4 Property Records Improvement Fund

5 FOR the purpose of establishing the Jobs Court Pilot Program in the District Court sitting
6 in Baltimore City; requiring the Administrative Office of the Courts to take certain
7 actions including providing a ~~a~~ certain ~~report reports~~ report, in consultation with the
8 Baltimore Workforce Development Board, to the Governor and the General
9 Assembly on or before a ~~a~~ certain ~~date dates;~~ date; authorizing the Judiciary to
10 transfer up to a certain amount of a General Fund appropriation to the Circuit Court
11 Real Property Records Improvement Fund; and generally relating to the
12 establishment of the Jobs Court Pilot Program in Baltimore City and the Circuit
13 Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

14 BY adding to

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 Article – Criminal Procedure
 2 Section 6–236
 3 Annotated Code of Maryland
 4 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

7 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

8 **6–236.**

9 (A) THERE IS A JOBS COURT PILOT PROGRAM IN THE DISTRICT COURT
 10 SITTING IN BALTIMORE CITY.

11 (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE PILOT PROGRAM IS TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM BY
 12 OFFERING DEFENDANTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN FULL-TIME JOB
 13 TRAINING AND JOB PLACEMENT PROGRAMS AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION, AN
 14 ALTERNATIVE TO INCARCERATION, OR A CONDITION OF PRETRIAL RELEASE.

15 (C) TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSE OF THE PILOT PROGRAM, THE
 16 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS SHALL DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT
 17 AND MONITOR THE PILOT PROGRAM.

18 (D) ~~(1) ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2025, THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF~~
 19 ~~THE COURTS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BALTIMORE WORKFORCE~~
 20 ~~DEVELOPMENT BOARD, SHALL SUBMIT AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR~~
 21 ~~AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE~~
 22 ~~GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE OPERATION AND RESULTS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.~~

23 ~~(2)~~ ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2027, THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF
 24 THE COURTS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BALTIMORE WORKFORCE
 25 DEVELOPMENT BOARD, SHALL ~~SUBMIT A FINAL~~ REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND,
 26 IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE
 27 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE OPERATION AND RESULTS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That ~~for~~ in each of fiscal year years
 29 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, and 2028, the Governor shall include in the annual State budget
 30 an appropriation of at least \$500,000 to the Baltimore Workforce Development Board, to
 31 be distributed to local workforce investment boards or other nonprofit entities that
 32 participate in the ~~pilot program~~ Jobs Court Pilot Program by identifying employers and
 33 training programs.

34 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

1 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2022, the
2 Judiciary may transfer up to \$12,000,000 of the fiscal year 2022 General Fund
3 appropriation for the Judiciary to the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement
4 Fund established under § 13-602 of the Courts Article.

5 (b) Notwithstanding § 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article or any
6 other provision of law, any amount transferred under subsection (a) of this section may not
7 revert to the General Fund of the State.

8 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall
9 take effect July 1, 2023. Section 1 shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the
10 end of June 30, 2028, Section 1 of this Act, with no further action required by the General
11 Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

12 SECTION ~~3~~ 4 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in
13 ~~Section 3~~ Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect ~~July~~ June 1, 2022. ~~It shall remain~~
14 ~~effective for a period of 5 6 years and, at the end of June 30, 2027 2028, this Act, with no~~
15 ~~further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force~~
16 ~~and effect.~~

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.