HOUSE BILL 836

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HB 533/24 – JUD

By: Delegate Davis

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2025

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	County Police Accountability Boards – Investigation of Complaints of Police Misconduct
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of authorizing the local governing body of a county to authorize, by local law, the county's police accountability board to exercise investigatory and subpoena powers; authorizing a police accountability board to conduct an investigation of police misconduct concurrently with a law enforcement agency investigating the complaint; and generally relating to county police accountability boards.
9 10 11 12 13	BY adding to Article – Public Safety Section 3–102(e) Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
14	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 16 Article Public Safety
- 17 3–102.

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- 18 **(E) (1)** SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH **(2)** OF THIS SUBSECTION, A LOCAL 19 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY, INCLUDING BALTIMORE CITY, MAY BY LOCAL LAW 20 AUTHORIZE ITS POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD TO EXERCISE INVESTIGATORY 21 AND SUBPOENA POWERS.
- 22 **(2)** A POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD MAY CONDUCT AN 23 INVESTIGATION OF A COMPLAINT OF POLICE MISCONDUCT UNDER THIS

- 1 SUBSECTION CONCURRENTLY WITH A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY INVESTIGATING
- 2 THE COMPLAINT.
- 3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 4 October 1, 2025.