

# HOUSE BILL 1622

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By: **Delegate Haynes**

Introduced and read first time: February 20, 2020

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Police Officers – Jurisdiction**

3 FOR the purpose of expanding the jurisdiction of certain police officers in certain law  
4 enforcement units in Baltimore City under certain circumstances; defining certain  
5 terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the  
6 jurisdiction of police officers in Baltimore City.

7 BY adding to

8 The Public Local Laws of Baltimore City

9 Section 16–3A

10 Article 4 – Public Local Laws of Maryland

11 (1979 Edition and 1997 Supplement, and 2000 Supplement, as amended)

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

14 **Article 4 – Baltimore City**

15 **16–3A.**

16 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
17 INDICATED.

18 (2) “BALTIMORE POLICE OFFICER” MEANS A MEMBER OF A LAW  
19 ENFORCEMENT UNIT DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO  
20 MAKE ARRESTS.

21 (3) “LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT” MEANS:

22 (I) THE BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(II) THE BALTIMORE CITY SCHOOL POLICE FORCE;

(III) THE BALTIMORE CITY SHERIFF'S OFFICE;

(IV) THE POLICE FORCE OF THE BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE;

(V) THE POLICE FORCE OF THE MARYLAND CAPITOL POLICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES;

(VI) THE POLICE FORCES OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND;

(VII) THE POLICE FORCE OF MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY; OR

(VIII) THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 24, SUBTITLE 12 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A BALTIMORE POLICE OFFICER MAY EXERCISE ALL THE POWERS GRANTED TO A PEACE OFFICER AND A POLICE OFFICER OF THE STATE BEYOND THE EXISTING JURISDICTION OF THE BALTIMORE POLICE OFFICER'S LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT, PROVIDED THAT THE BALTIMORE POLICE OFFICER EXERCISES THIS POWER WITHIN BALTIMORE CITY WHEN:

(1) IN SEARCH OF A CRIMINAL OR SUSPECT WANTED FOR A CRIME;

(2) INTERVIEWING OR SEEKING TO INTERVIEW A WITNESS OR SUPPOSED WITNESS TO A CRIME;

(3) REQUESTED TO ACT BY THE CHIEF OF ANOTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT;

(4) CONDUCTING A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION;

(5) PARTICIPATING IN A JOINT INVESTIGATION WITH POLICE OFFICERS FROM ANOTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT THAT HAS JURISDICTION;

(6) RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO A POLICE OFFICER OF ANOTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT; OR

1                   **(7) ACTING UNDER AN AGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER LAW**  
2 **ENFORCEMENT UNIT.**

3           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
4 October 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of September  
5 30, 2023, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be  
6 abrogated and of no further force and effect.