

HOUSE BILL 1278

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By: **Delegates P. Young and Hill**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Interjurisdictional Policing Grant Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Interjurisdictional Policing Grant Program to provide
4 counties with grants to defray costs associated with establishing and supporting
5 interjurisdictional policing agreements; requiring the Executive Director of the
6 Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer the
7 Program and establish certain requirements for the Program; and generally relating
8 to the Interjurisdictional Policing Grant Program.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Public Safety
11 Section 4–1601 through 4–1604 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 16.
12 Interjurisdictional Policing Grant Program”
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Public Safety**

18 **SUBTITLE 16. INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING GRANT PROGRAM.**

19 **4–1601.**

20 **(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
21 **INDICATED.**

22 **(B) “EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR” MEANS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE**
23 **GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (C) "INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING AGREEMENT" MEANS AN
2 AGREEMENT BETWEEN TWO OR MORE COUNTIES TO COOPERATE ON LAW
3 ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.

4 (D) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING GRANT
5 PROGRAM.

6 4-1602.

7 (A) THERE IS A GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE EXECUTIVE
8 DIRECTOR KNOWN AS THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING GRANT PROGRAM.

9 (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO COUNTIES
10 TO DEFRAY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ESTABLISHING AND SUPPORTING
11 INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING AGREEMENTS.

12 (C) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE
13 ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$3,500,000 TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY
14 FOR GRANTS FROM THE PROGRAM.

15 4-1603.

16 (A) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE
17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL:

18 (1) ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR COUNTIES TO APPLY FOR AND
19 RECEIVE GRANTS FROM THE PROGRAM; AND

20 (2) MAKE GRANTS FROM THE PROGRAM.

21 (B) IN A SINGLE GRANT PERIOD, TWO OR MORE COUNTIES MAY APPLY FOR
22 A GRANT FROM THE PROGRAM TO:

23 (1) ESTABLISH AN INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING AGREEMENT;

24 (2) SUPPORT FUTURE LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY IN ACCORDANCE
25 WITH AN INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING AGREEMENT; OR

26 (3) BE REIMBURSED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY
27 UNDERTAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING
28 AGREEMENT.

1 **(C) A GRANT AWARDED UNDER THIS SECTION:**

2 **(1) SHALL BE COMMENSURATE WITH:**

3 **(I) THE POPULATION AND GEOGRAPHIC SIZE OF THE COUNTIES**
4 **APPLYING FOR THE GRANT; AND**

5 **(II) THE SCOPE OF THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING**
6 **AGREEMENT; AND**

7 **(2) IF THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL POLICING AGREEMENT SPANS**
8 **MULTIPLE YEARS, MAY BE SPREAD ACROSS MULTIPLE FISCAL YEARS.**

9 **4-1604.**

10 **(A) A COUNTY THAT RECEIVES A GRANT FROM THE PROGRAM SHALL, IN A**
11 **MANNER APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ANNUALLY SUBMIT A REPORT**
12 **TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS.**

13 **(B) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL POST A REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER**
14 **SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME**
15 **PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES WEBSITE.**

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
17 1, 2022.