

HOUSE BILL 1520

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By: **Delegate Parrott**

Introduced and read first time: March 4, 2013

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – SWAT Team Reports – Required Information and Extension**
3 **of Sunset**

4 FOR the purpose of including certain additional information on a certain report
5 required of a law enforcement agency that maintains a SWAT team; making a
6 conforming change; extending to a certain date a certain termination provision;
7 and generally relating to SWAT teams.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Public Safety
10 Section 3–507(b)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Chapter 542 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009
15 Section 2

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

21 **Article – Public Safety**

22 3–507.

23 (b) Every 6 months, beginning January 1, 2010, a law enforcement agency
24 that maintains a SWAT team shall report the following information to the Governor’s

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Office of Crime Control and Prevention using the format developed under subsection
2 (c) of this section:

3 (1) the number of times the SWAT team was activated and deployed
4 by the law enforcement agency in the previous 6 months;

5 (2) the name of the county or county and municipal corporation and
6 the zip code of the location where the SWAT team was deployed for each activation;

7 (3) the reason for each activation and deployment of the SWAT team;

8 (4) the legal authority, including type of warrant, if any, for each
9 activation and deployment of the SWAT team; and

10 (5) **INFORMATION ABOUT AND** the result of each activation and
11 deployment of the SWAT team, including:

12 (i) the number of arrests made, if any;

13 (ii) whether property was seized;

14 (iii) whether a forcible entry was made;

15 (iv) whether a weapon was discharged by a SWAT team
16 member; [and]

17 (v) whether a person or domestic animal was injured or killed
18 by a SWAT team member;

19 **(VI) WHETHER A SWAT TEAM MEMBER OR OTHER LAW**
20 **ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WAS INJURED OR KILLED DURING THE ACTIVATION**
21 **AND DEPLOYMENT OF THE SWAT TEAM;**

22 **(VII) THE NUMBER OF SWAT TEAM MEMBERS DEPLOYED;**

23 **(VIII) A DESCRIPTION OF ANY NONSTANDARD EQUIPMENT**
24 **USED DURING THE DEPLOYMENT; AND**

25 **(IX) THE IDENTITY OF ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**
26 **THAT WERE NOTIFIED OF THE DEPLOYMENT PRIOR TO THE DEPLOYMENT.**

27 **Chapter 542 of the Acts of 2009**

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 July 1, 2009. It shall remain effective for a period of [5] 8 years and, at the end of June

1 30, [2014] **2017**, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
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9 October 1, 2013.