

# HOUSE BILL 670

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## *ENROLLED BILL*

— *Judiciary/Judicial Proceedings* —

Introduced by **Delegates Hough, Waldstreicher, Bates, and B. Robinson**

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

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Earned Compliance Credit and Reinvestment Act of 2012**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional  
4 Services to establish a program to implement certain earned compliance credits,  
5 which create a certain reduction in a certain period of active supervision for  
6 certain individuals and develop policies and procedures for the implementation  
7 of the program; ~~requiring~~ authorizing the Maryland Parole Commission or the  
8 court to adjust a period of supervision for an individual placed on probation by  
9 the court or serving a period of parole or mandatory release supervision from a  
10 correctional facility under certain circumstances; requiring a supervised  
11 individual whose period of active supervision has been completely reduced by  
12 earned compliance credits to be placed on abatement for a certain amount of  
13 time, with certain exceptions; authorizing a court to place a supervised  
14 individual on active supervision if the supervised individual commits a violation  
15 of probation while on abatement; requiring that a certain percentage of the

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### 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 savings realized by the Department as a result of the application of earned  
2 compliance credits revert to the Department; providing for the construction of  
3 this Act; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act;  
4 providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to parole and  
5 probation and earned compliance credits.

6 BY adding to  
7 Article – Correctional Services  
8 Section 6–117  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

13 **Article – Correctional Services**

14 **6–117.**

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

17 (2) “ABATEMENT” MEANS AN END TO ACTIVE SUPERVISION OF A  
18 SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL, WITHOUT EFFECT ON THE LEGAL EXPIRATION DATE  
19 OF THE CASE OR THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL’S OBLIGATION TO:

20 (I) OBEY ALL LAWS;

21 (II) REPORT AS INSTRUCTED; AND

22 (III) OBTAIN WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE DIVISION OF  
23 PAROLE AND PROBATION BEFORE RELOCATING THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL’S  
24 RESIDENCE OUTSIDE THE STATE.

25 (3) “EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDIT” MEANS A 20–DAY  
26 REDUCTION FROM THE PERIOD OF ACTIVE SUPERVISION OF THE SUPERVISED  
27 INDIVIDUAL FOR EVERY MONTH THAT A SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL:

28 (I) EXHIBITS FULL ~~OR SUBSTANTIAL~~ COMPLIANCE WITH  
29 THE CONDITIONS, GOALS, AND TREATMENT AS PART OF THE SUPERVISED  
30 INDIVIDUAL’S PROBATION, PAROLE, OR MANDATORY RELEASE SUPERVISION, AS  
31 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT;

32 (II) HAS NO NEW ARRESTS;

1 (III) HAS NOT VIOLATED ANY CONDITIONS OF NO CONTACT  
2 IMPOSED ON THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL;

3 (IV) IS CURRENT ON COURT ORDERED PAYMENTS FOR  
4 RESTITUTION, FINES, AND FEES RELATING TO THE OFFENSE FOR WHICH  
5 EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDITS ARE BEING ACCRUED; AND

6 (V) IS CURRENT IN COMPLETING ANY COMMUNITY ~~SERVICE~~  
7 SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS INCLUDED IN THE CONDITIONS OF THE  
8 SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL'S PROBATION, PAROLE, OR MANDATORY RELEASE  
9 SUPERVISION.

10 (4) (I) "SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL  
11 PLACED ON PROBATION BY A COURT OR SERVING A PERIOD OF PAROLE OR  
12 MANDATORY RELEASE SUPERVISION AFTER RELEASE FROM A CORRECTIONAL  
13 FACILITY.

14 (II) "SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

15 1. A PERSON INCARCERATED, ON PROBATION, OR  
16 ~~CURRENTLY BEING SUPERVISED~~ CONVICTED IN THIS STATE FOR A CRIME OF  
17 VIOLENCE;

18 2. A PERSON INCARCERATED ~~OR CURRENTLY BEING~~  
19 SUPERVISED, ON PROBATION, OR CONVICTED IN THIS STATE FOR A CRIME  
20 UNDER TITLE 3, SUBTITLE 3, OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE;

21 3. A PERSON INCARCERATED ~~OR CURRENTLY BEING~~  
22 SUPERVISED, ON PROBATION, OR CONVICTED IN THIS STATE FOR A VIOLATION  
23 OF § 2-503, § 5-602 THROUGH § 5-617, § 5-627, OR § 5-628 OF THE CRIMINAL  
24 LAW ARTICLE;

25 4. A PERSON REGISTERED OR ELIGIBLE FOR  
26 REGISTRATION UNDER TITLE 11, SUBTITLE 7 OF THE CRIMINAL ~~LAW~~  
27 PROCEDURE ARTICLE;

28 5. A PERSON WHO WAS CONVICTED IN ANY OTHER  
29 JURISDICTION OF A CRIME AND THE PERSON'S SUPERVISION WAS  
30 TRANSFERRED TO THIS STATE; OR

31 6. A PERSON WHO WAS CONVICTED IN THIS STATE  
32 OF A CRIME AND THE PERSON'S SUPERVISION WAS TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER  
33 STATE.

1           **(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:**

2                   **(1) ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO IMPLEMENT EARNED COMPLIANCE**  
3 **CREDITS; AND**

4                   **(2) ADOPT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT THE**  
5 **PROGRAM.**

6           **(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, THE MARYLAND PAROLE**  
7 **COMMISSION OR THE COURT ~~SHALL~~ MAY ADJUST THE PERIOD OF A SUPERVISED**  
8 **INDIVIDUAL'S SUPERVISION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIVISION OF**  
9 **PAROLE AND PROBATION FOR EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDITS ACCRUED UNDER**  
10 **A PROGRAM CREATED UNDER THIS SECTION.**

11           **(D) A SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL WHOSE PERIOD OF ACTIVE**  
12 **SUPERVISION HAS BEEN COMPLETELY REDUCED AS A RESULT OF EARNED**  
13 **COMPLIANCE CREDITS SHALL REMAIN ON ABATEMENT UNTIL THE EXPIRATION**  
14 **OF THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL'S ~~INITIAL PERIOD OF ACTIVE SUPERVISION~~**  
15 **SENTENCE, UNLESS:**

16                   **(1) THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL CONSENTS TO CONTINUED**  
17 **ACTIVE SUPERVISION; OR**

18                   **(2) THE SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL VIOLATES A CONDITION OF**  
19 **PROBATION, PAROLE, OR MANDATORY RELEASE SUPERVISION INCLUDING**  
20 **FAILURE TO PAY A REQUIRED PAYMENT OF RESTITUTION.**

21           **(E) IF A SUPERVISED INDIVIDUAL VIOLATES A CONDITION OF**  
22 **PROBATION WHILE ON ABATEMENT, A COURT MAY ORDER THE SUPERVISED**  
23 **INDIVIDUAL TO BE RETURNED TO ACTIVE SUPERVISION.**

24           **(F) (1) TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE SAVINGS REALIZED BY THE**  
25 **DEPARTMENT AS A RESULT OF THE APPLICATION OF EARNED COMPLIANCE**  
26 **CREDITS SHALL REVERT TO THE DEPARTMENT.**

27                   **(2) AFTER THE SAVINGS ~~FROM SUBSECTION (G)(1)~~ REVERT TO**  
28 **THE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**  
29 **SUBSECTION, ANY REMAINING SAVINGS SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND.**

30           **(G) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE AUTHORITY**  
31 **OF A COURT OR THE PAROLE COMMISSION TO EXTEND PROBATION, PAROLE, OR**  
32 **MANDATORY RELEASE SUPERVISION UNDER § 6-222 OF THE CRIMINAL**  
33 **PROCEDURE ARTICLE.**

1        SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be  
2 construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have  
3 any effect on or application to a sentence of an individual commencing before the  
4 effective date of this Act.

5        SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
6 effect ~~October 1, 2014~~ January 1, 2013.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.