

CHAPTER 586

(House Bill 609)

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County Department of Corrections – Correctional Programs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Wicomico County Council to establish and administer pretrial release, work release, community service, and home detention programs; authorizing a court in Wicomico County to ~~sentence~~ allow individuals to participate in pretrial release, work release, community service, or home detention programs; requiring certain prisoners to reimburse the county detention center for certain expenses; allowing inmates to be removed from the programs and providing certain penalties for violations of certain conditions; ~~defining a certain term~~; providing for compassionate leave; and generally relating to correctional programs in Wicomico County.

BY adding to

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 645GG

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1987 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

645GG.

(A) (1) THE WICOMICO COUNTY COUNCIL MAY ESTABLISH THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS UNDER THE WICOMICO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS:

- (I) PRETRIAL RELEASE;
- (II) WORK RELEASE;
- (III) COMMUNITY SERVICE; AND
- (IV) HOME DETENTION.

(2) THE WICOMICO COUNTY COUNCIL SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(B) IN WICOMICO COUNTY, WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS NO OTHER CHARGES PENDING IN ANY JURISDICTION IS SENTENCED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE WICOMICO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE COURT MAY, AT THE TIME OF SENTENCING OR