

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, all the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved May 4, 1967.

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CHAPTER 696

(Senate Bill 570)

AN ACT to repeal Section 704 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", subtitle "Places of Reformation and Punishment", subheading "Department of Correction", sub-subheading "Miscellaneous"; and to enact new Section 704 in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section so repealed and to be under the new subheading "~~Department of Jail Programming~~", under the subtitle "~~Places of Reformation and Punishment~~", to create the new State Department of Jail Programming, to provide for its Director, his appointment, tenure, powers and duties and for the powers and duties of the Department with respect to jails in the State. "JAIL PROGRAMMING AND INSPECTION", UNDER THE SUBHEADING "DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION", TO CREATE THE POSITION OF JAIL PROGRAMMING AND INSPECTION OFFICER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, TO PROVIDE FOR HIS POWERS AND DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO JAILS AND PLACES OF DETENTION IN THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE, TO AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR JAILS AND PLACES OF DETENTION AND TO PROVIDE FOR FAILURE TO MEET SUCH STANDARDS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TO CONTRIBUTE A PORTION OF THE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION OF JAILS AND PLACES OF DETENTION IN THE STATE.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 704 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", subtitle "Places of Reformation and Punishment", subheading "Department of Correction", sub-subheading "Miscellaneous", be and it is hereby repealed, and that new Section 704 BE AND IT is hereby enacted in lieu thereof to stand in the place of the section so repealed and to be under the new subheading "~~Department of Jail Programming~~", under the subtitle "~~Places of Reformation and Punishment~~", and to read as NEW SUBHEADING "JAIL PROGRAMMING AND INSPECTION", UNDER THE SUBHEADING "DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION", AND TO READ AS follows: