

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved April 10, 1968.

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CHAPTER 208

(House Bill 231)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 645K of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Employment of Prisoners," relating generally to the duties of the Department of Parole and Probation when a judge in imposing sentence prescribes that the convicted person may continue his regular employment or obtain new employment while serving the term of his sentence.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 645K of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Crimes and Punishments," subtitle "Employment of Prisoners," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

645K.

Court may prescribe continuation of regular employment or new employment; ~~{sheriff's duties}~~ - *duties of Department of Parole and Probation.*

Whenever a person shall be convicted of crime and sentenced to imprisonment in any county, town or city jail by the circuit court for the counties to which this subtitle applies, the judge imposing sentence may prescribe that insofar as possible the person may continue his regular employment or obtain new employment while serving the term of his sentence, AND THE JUDGE SHALL DESIGNATE EITHER THE SHERIFF OR THE DEPARTMENT OF PAROLE AND PROBATION TO SUPERVISE, ARRANGE FOR OR OBTAIN SUCH EMPLOYMENT.

If A convicted person has been regularly employed the ~~{sheriff}~~ OR THE *Department of Parole and Probation* shall arrange for a continuation of said work insofar as possible without interruption. The ~~{Sheriff}~~ OR THE *Department of Parole and Probation* shall make every effort to secure some suitable employment for the prisoner if he is not employed in any job. The ~~{sheriff}~~ OR THE *Department of Parole and Probation* shall try to obtain employment for the prisoner paying a fair and reasonable wage, and the prisoner shall work at fair and reasonable employment and hours per day and per week.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect on July 1, 1968.

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