Code, shall, upon release, be deemed as if released on parole until the expiration of the maximum term or terms for which he was sentenced. Said released prisoner shall be subject to all laws, rules, regulations and conditions applicable to parolees and shall remain under the supervision of the State Department of Parole and Probation until the expiration of the maximum term or terms for which he was sentenced.

This Section shall not prevent delivery of a prisoner to any State or Federal Authority otherwise entitled to his custody.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SECTION 700(A) OF ARTICLE 27 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1967 REPLACEMENT VOLUME) TITLE "CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS," SUBTITLE "III PLACES OF REFORMATION AND PUNISHMENT," SUBHEADING "DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION," SUB-SUBHEADING "PRISONERS," BE AND IT IS REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED, WITH AMENDMENTS. TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

#700.

(A) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 127A OF ARTICLE 27 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, [Each] EACH PRISONER IN ANY OF SAID INSTITUTIONS IS ENTITLED TO A DIMINUTION OF THE PERIOD OF HIS CONFINEMENT UNDER THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS:

SEC. 23. And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 28, 1970

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(Senate Bill 210)

AN ACT to repeal Section 1E of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1965 Replacement Volume, 1969 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Department of Health and Mental Hygiene," and to repeal, in its entirety, Article 59 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition, 1968 Replacement Volume, 1969 Supplement), title "Lunatics and Insane" and to enact a new Article 59 to stand in the place of the Article so repealed and to be under the new title "Mental Hygiene," providing for the enactment of new statutory provisions for the policy of the State of Maryland for mental health, defining terms, organization and administration of the Department of Mental Health, The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Commissioner of Mental Hygiene and their respective rights, powers and duties, rules and regulations, the admission, transfer and release of mentally ill persons, patients' records, the defense of insanity in criminal cases, organization and administration of public facilities, their employees, their rights, powers and duties, the licensing of private facilities,