## CHAPTER 653

(House Bill 368)

AN ACT concerning

Requests - Final Disposition of Prisoners' Indictments

FOR the purpose of clarifying procedures for a request for disposition of an indictment; removing obsolete references to the Division of Correction, specifically including the Patuxent Institution within the new provisions; requiring the official having custody of a prisoner to file a request for final disposition of an untried indictment outstanding against the prisoner if the prisoner requests him to do so; providing in certain circumstances for the dismissal of an outstanding indictment against a prisoner if the prisoner is not informed of the indictment's existence within a certain period; making certain provisions mandatory; [[providing that the section be liberally construed; providing that certain officials adopt policies and practices to assure compliance with certain requirements;]] and generally relating to a prisoner's request for final disposition of charges.

## BY repealing

Article 27 — Crimes and Punishments Section 616S(a), (b), and (c) Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

## BY renumbering

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 616S(d) to be Section 616S(f) Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

## BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 616S(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (g) Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 616(a), (b), and (c) of Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments, of the Annotated Code of