

shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 466

(Senate Bill 433)

AN ACT concerning

Calvert and Anne Arundel Counties -
Work Programs

FOR the purpose of authorizing the judges of the State of Maryland in Anne Arundel and Calvert Counties to impose a work program on any individual found guilty in those counties in lieu of paying a fine and court costs; and generally relating to the authorization.

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 645X
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

645X.

(A) WHENEVER ANY PERSON IS CONVICTED OF A CRIME IN WHICH THE COURT HAS THE DISCRETION TO ASSESS A FINE, COURT COSTS, OR BOTH A FINE AND COURT COSTS, THE JUDGE MAY REQUIRE THE CONVICTED PERSON IN SATISFACTION OF THE PENALTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ~~SHERIFF STATE DEPARTMENT~~ LOCAL OFFICE OF THE DIVISION OF PAROLE AND PROBATION OR IN THE COUNTY WHERE THE OFFENSE TOOK PLACE.

(B) ANY PERSON PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM SHALL RECEIVE A CREDIT OF AT LEAST ~~\$3~~ THE FEDERAL MINIMUM WAGE PER HOUR TOWARDS THE ORIGINAL FINE AND COURT COSTS IMPOSED BY THE COURT.

(C) THIS SECTION APPLIES IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:

- (1) ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.
- (2) CALVERT COUNTY.