## CHAPTER 286

(Senate Bill 445)

AN ACT concerning

Division of Correction - Inmate Property, Finances, and Contraband

FOR the purpose of providing for the definition and handling of contraband in the institutions of the Division of Correction; providing for the establishment of inmate financial accounts; providing for charges against inmates' financial accounts under certain circumstances; providing for the adoption of rules and regulations concerning inmate property and finances; making certain style and wording changes; and generally relating to the handling of inmate property and finances by the institutions of the Division of Correction.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 678A Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 678B Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1980 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

678A.

(a) Any personal property of an inmate[,] which comes into possession of the Division of Correction as the result of an escape by [an] THE inmate [from any of the several institutions] or because it has been unclaimed by an inmate who has right to its possession[,] shall be held by the Division of Correction for a period of 30 days[, during which time]. DURING THE 30 DAY PERIOD notice shall be posted in a conspicuous location within the institution [wherein] WHERE such property was initially found.