

(a) Upon entering a judgment of conviction, the court having jurisdiction may suspend the imposition or execution of sentence and place the defendant on probation upon such terms and conditions as the court deems proper. The court may impose a sentence for a specified period and provide that a lesser period be served in confinement, suspend the remainder of the sentence and grant probation for a period longer than the sentence but not in excess of five years, however, if the defendant consents in writing, the court may grant probation in excess of 5 years, but only for purposes of making restitution.

(B) Probation may be granted whether the offense is punishable by fine or imprisonment or both. If the offense is punishable by both fine and imprisonment, the court may impose a fine and place the defendant on probation as to the imprisonment. Probation may be limited to one or more counts or indictments, but, in the absence of express limitation, shall extend to the entire sentence and judgment. The court may revoke or modify any condition of probation or may reduce the period of probation.

(C) IF A SENTENCE OF IMPRISONMENT IS IMPOSED, A PORTION OF IT IS SUSPENDED, AND THE DEFENDANT IS PLACED ON PROBATION, THE COURT MAY IMPOSE AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION THAT THE PROBATION COMMENCE ON THE DATE THE DEFENDANT IS ACTUALLY RELEASED FROM IMPRISONMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved June 1, 1982.

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#### CHAPTER 690

(House Bill 1138)

AN ACT concerning

Howard County - State's Attorney - Documents

FOR the purpose of providing that in Howard County the State's Attorney may authorize the deputy State's attorney or any assistant State's attorney to sign certain documents that require the signature of the State's Attorney; providing that certain deputy State's attorneys and assistant State's attorneys shall perform certain acts and duties at the direction of the State's Attorney or authorized by law; and generally relating to the powers of certain deputy or assistant State's attorneys.