

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
~~Section 700A~~(g) Section 645W(a)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1982 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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700A-

~~(G) -- THE WARDEN AND DEPUTY WARDEN OF THE BALTIMORE CITY JAIL HAVE THE SAME WORK RELEASE PROGRAM AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO INMATES OF THE BALTIMORE CITY JAIL THAT THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION HAS UNDER THIS SECTION WITH RESPECT TO INMATES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, AND THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION APPLY TO WORK RELEASE PROGRAMS FOR INMATES OF THE BALTIMORE CITY JAIL. -- REFERENCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION IN THIS SECTION MEANS THE BALTIMORE CITY JAIL BOARD IN RELATION TO THE JAIL.~~

645W.

(a) When a person is detained in or sentenced to the Baltimore City Jail, THE WARDEN, IF APPROVED BY the judge ordering the confinement or, if he is unable to act, then any other judge of the committing court, at any time during the period of confinement, in accordance with such programs as are available, may prescribe that the person may continue his regular employment, obtain new employment, participate in a training or rehabilitation program, or attend educational institutions, during the period of custody. A prisoner in a prescribed program pursuant to this section shall be confined in jail or held in custody between program hours or periods unless the court directs otherwise. The warden may contract, subject to the procedure for contracting by agencies of Baltimore City and the availability of funds, for halfway houses or other suitable housing facilities for those prisoners whom the court directs may be housed therein.

~~SECTION 2. -- AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 17, 1983.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 10, 1983.