

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-8A-15(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 2-10A-09

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-8A-15.

(k) If a child remains in a facility used for detention for the specific act for which the child has been adjudicated delinquent for more than 25 days after the court has made a disposition on a petition under § 3-8A-19 of this subtitle, the Department of Juvenile Services shall:

(1) [Submit a report to the court explaining] ON THE FIRST AVAILABLE COURT DATE AFTER THE 25TH DAY THAT THE CHILD REMAINS IN A FACILITY USED FOR DETENTION, APPEAR AT A HEARING BEFORE THE COURT WITH THE CHILD TO EXPLAIN the reasons for continued detention; and

(2) Every 25 days thereafter, [submit another report to the court explaining] APPEAR AT ANOTHER HEARING BEFORE THE COURT WITH THE CHILD TO EXPLAIN the reasons for continued detention.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Government

2-10A-09.

(A) THERE IS A JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES.

(B) (1) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF 12 MEMBERS.

(2) OF THE 12 MEMBERS:

(I) SIX SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND

(II) SIX SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.