

[(4) To perform, in Baltimore City, all duties and functions related to pre-trial release, formerly performed by the Pre-Trial Release Services Division of the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City.]

(c) (1) The Pre-Trial Release Services Division of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City is an operational unit of the Division of Parole and Probation.

(2) There is a Pre-Trial Release Committee in the Division of Parole and Probation.

(3) The Pre-Trial Release Committee consists of:

(i) The Director of the Division of Parole and Probation or the Director's designee; and

(ii) 2 judges to be appointed by the administrative judge of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City.

(4) (i) The director and deputy director of the Pre-Trial Release Services Division shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Pre-Trial Release Committee.

(ii) The director and deputy director of the Pre-Trial Release Services Division shall be unclassified State employees.

(iii) The director and deputy director of the Pre-Trial Release Services Division are entitled to the salaries provided in the State budget.

(5) The Pre-Trial Release Committee shall provide programmatic control and direction for the Pre-Trial Release Services Division consistent with the policies of the Division of Parole and Probation.

(6) Except for programmatic control and direction, the operations of the unit shall be subject to and under the direction of the Division of Parole and Probation.]

SUBTITLE 13. PRETRIAL RELEASE SERVICES DIVISION.

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(A) THERE IS HEREBY CREATED A PRETRIAL RELEASE SERVICES DIVISION, WHICH SHALL BE PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, AND THE HEAD OF WHICH SHALL BE THE DIRECTOR OF PRETRIAL RELEASE SERVICES. THE DIRECTOR AND THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND AND BY AND WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND FOR AN INDEFINITE TERM, AT THE PLEASURE OF