

CHAPTER 592

(Senate Bill 429)

AN ACT concerning

Criminal Law - Expungement of Records

FOR the purpose of authorizing a court to grant a petition for expungement at any time under certain circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to expungement of criminal records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 737(a), (c), and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1982 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

737.

(a) If a person is charged with the commission of a crime and

(1) Is acquitted, [or]

[or] (2) The charge is otherwise dismissed or quashed,

(3) A judgment of probation without finding a verdict or probation on stay of entry of judgment is entered, [or]

(4) A nolle prosequi is entered, [or]

(5) The proceeding is placed on the stet docket, [or]

(6) The case is compromised pursuant to Article 10, § 37 of this Code, or

(7) Is convicted of only one criminal act, which is not a crime of violence, and is subsequently granted a full and unconditional pardon by the Governor, [he] THE PERSON may file a petition setting forth the relevant facts and requesting