

**CHAPTER 641**

**(House Bill 1122)**

AN ACT concerning

**Juvenile Court – Jurisdiction**

FOR the purpose of narrowing the original jurisdiction of the juvenile court to preclude the juvenile court from exercising jurisdiction over a child of at least a certain age who is charged with certain crimes; specifying the types of cases a court may transfer to the juvenile court; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to juvenile court jurisdiction.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-804

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 – Crimes and Punishments

Section 594A(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

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

**Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

3-804.

(a) The court has exclusive original jurisdiction over a child alleged to be delinquent, in need of supervision, in need of assistance or who has received a citation for a violation.

(b) The court has exclusive original jurisdiction over proceedings arising under the Interstate Compact on Juveniles.

(c) The court has concurrent jurisdiction over proceedings against an adult for the violation of § 3-831 of this subtitle. However, the court may waive its jurisdiction under this subsection upon its own motion or upon the motion of any party to the proceeding, if charges against the adult arising from the same incident are pending in the criminal court. Upon motion by either the State's Attorney or the adult charged under § 3-831, the court shall waive its jurisdiction, and the adult shall be tried in the criminal court according to the usual criminal procedure.