SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994. It shall remain effective for a period of 20 years and at the end of June 30, 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 26, 1994.

## **CHAPTER 716**

(Senate Bill 353)

AN ACT concerning

Parole Violators Parole - Probation - Crimes of Violence - Mandatory Sentencing - Parole

FOR the purpose of mandating automatic parole revocation for certain persons who are charged with certain crimes; creating a Task-Force on-Parole Violators; requiring the Task Force-to develop-certain guidelines; providing for the-membership of the Task Force: requiring the Task Force to submit its proposed guidelines to certain persons by a certain date; and generally relating to parole violators prohibiting a court from granting probation to a person who is convicted of a felony under certain circumstances; imposing certain mandatory minimum penalties on persons who are convicted of a second or third crime of violence: increasing the portion of a sentence of incarceration that must be served by certain persons before becoming eligible for parole; requiring the Parole Commission to issue a certain warrant and take certain other steps if a person on parole is charged with a crime of violence; providing that parole will-be automatically revoked under certain circumstances; prohibiting-the Parole Commission from granting credit to a prisoner for the time between release on parole and revocation of parole under certain circumstances; requiring that parole hearings be made open to the public; providing certain exceptions; requiring that votes of members of the Parole Commission on certain formal actions be made available to the public; providing that this Act may not be construed as authorizing the release of information that is otherwise made confidential by law; and generally relating to parole, probation, establishing that a person who is convicted a second time of a "crime of violence" is subject to a mandatory sentence of a certain number of years under certain circumstances; making certain stylistic and clarifying changes; providing an exception to the prohibition against parole for inmates of a certain age under certain circumstances; requiring the Parole Commission to adopt certain regulations; providing that parole hearings be open to the public under certain circumstances; requiring the Parole Commission to make certain records available to the public and deny admission or attendance to parole hearings under certain circumstances; providing for the closing of parole hearings under certain circumstances; prohibiting the granting of credit to an inmate for the time between release on parole and revocation of parole under certain circumstances; prohibiting persons convicted of certain violent crimes from being paroled until having served a certain portion of a sentence; requiring persons convicted of certain violent crimes to be given a certain review after having served a certain portion of a