#### CHAPTER 199

## (Senate Bill 729)

# AN ACT concerning

# State Personnel - Disciplinary Suspensions

FOR the purpose of clarifying that certain suspensions for disciplinary purposes shall begin within a certain period; clarifying that certain days are excluded from the calculation of the time by which certain suspensions must begin; and generally relating to the suspension of employees for disciplinary purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

Section 9-403

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Volume)

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

## Article - State Personnel and Pensions

9-403.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a suspension for disciplinary purposes:
  - (1) shall be served on consecutive days; and
- (2) shall begin within 2 [days] WORKDAYS from the close of the employee's next shift after:
  - (i) the alleged infraction occurred; or
  - (ii) the appointing authority learned of the alleged infraction.
- (b) For an employee exempt from the overtime provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, a suspension for disciplinary purposes:
- (1) shall begin within 5 [days] WORKDAYS from the close of the employee's next shift after:
  - (i) the alleged infraction occurred; or
  - (ii) the appointing authority learned of the alleged infraction; and
  - (2) shall be for one or more of the employee's full workweeks.
- (C) SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, LEGAL HOLIDAYS, AND EMPLOYEE LEAVE DAYS DO NOT COUNT WHEN CALCULATING THE TIME PERIODS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (A)(2) AND (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION.