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- (5) (i) "Descriptive sentencing guidelines" means a sentencing structure that reflects the actual sentencing practices of judges in the State over a specified period.
- (ii) "Descriptive sentencing guidelines" includes the current Maryland sentencing guidelines.
- (6) "Good time credits" means deductions from an inmate's term of confinement under Article 27, § 700(d) of the Code.
- (7) (i) "Guided discretion sentencing guidelines" means a sentencing structure that includes:
- 1. Elements of determinant sentencing that bring greater levels of rationality and uniformity to the sentencing process (such as presumptive or ordinary sentences); and
- 2. Elements of discretionary sentencing that allow a judge to impose a sentence that is fair and just under the circumstances of a particular case (such as the ability to depart from a presumptive or ordinary sentence under certain specified circumstances).
- (ii) "Guided discretion sentencing guidelines" does not include the federal sentencing guidelines or any similar type of mechanical sentencing structure.
- (8) "Mandatory supervision" has the meaning stated in Article 41, \$ 4-501(13) of the Code.
 - (9) "Parole" has the meaning stated in Article 41, § 4-501(5) of the Code.
 - (b) There is a Maryland Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy.
 - (c) The Commission shall consist of 19 members as follows:
 - (1) A Chairperson, appointed by the Governor;
- (2) The Chief Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals or a designee of the Chief Judge who is a judge or former judge on the Maryland Court of Appeals or the Maryland Court of Special Appeals;
- (3) One judge of the circuit court of Maryland, appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals;
- (4) One judge of the District Court of Maryland, appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals;
 - (5) The Attorney General or a designee of the Attorney General;
- (6) One State's Attorney who is recommended by the President of the Maryland State's Attorneys Association, appointed by the Governor;
 - (7) The Maryland Public Defender or a designee of the Public Defender;
- (8) A criminal defense attorney who is recommended by the President of the Maryland Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, appointed by the Governor;