

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Error: Obsolete terminology in Article 41, § 13-103(a).

Occurred: Ch. 21, Acts of 1998.

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(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Commission.

(3) "Commission" means the Maryland Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy.

(4) "Correctional options program" means a criminal sanction other than traditional probation, traditional parole, or total confinement.

(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] THIS ARTICLE.

(9) "Parole" has the meaning stated in [Article 41,] § 4-501(5) of [the Code] THIS ARTICLE.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

Error: Obsolete cross-reference in Article 41, § 18-312(a)(8) and (9).

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