relating to the Intensive Case Monitor Pilot Program in Task Force to Study the Mentoring and Monitoring of Children in the Custody of or Under the Supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice; providing for the membership of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate a chairman of the Task Force; requiring the Department to staff the Task Force; providing that the members of the Task Force may not receive compensation but are entitled to a certain reimbursement; establishing the duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to make a certain report on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Mentoring and Monitoring of Children in the Custody of or Under the Supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice.

BY adding to

Article 83C Juvenile Justice

Section 2 137

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

Article 83C - Juvenile Justice

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- (A) (1) THERE IS A DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE INTENSIVE CASE MONITOR PILOT PROGRAM IN NOT MORE THAN THREE COUNTIES IN THE STATE SELECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SELECT THE CHILDREN IN THOSE COUNTIES WHO ARE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND WHO SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.
- (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUALIZED SUPPORT SERVICES TO A CHILD:
- $\stackrel{\mbox{\scriptsize (1)}}{}$ TO HELP THE CHILD BECOME PRODUCTIVELY INVOLVED IN SCHOOL OR THE WORKPLACE; AND
- $^{(2)}$ TO DECREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF FURTHER DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR.
- (C) (1) TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HIRE INTENSIVE CASE MONITORS WHO SHALL:
 - (I) ASSESS EACH CHILD'S SITUATION: AND
- (II) PROVIDE A VARIETY OF INDIVIDUALIZED SUPPORT SERVICES THROUGH FREQUENT CONTACT WITH THE CHILD.
 - (2) THE SUPPORT SERVICES MAY INCLUDE: