

requiring the court to hold a separate disposition hearing except under certain circumstances; requiring the disposition hearing to be held on the same day as the adjudicatory hearing except under certain circumstances when the hearing shall be held within a certain period; authorizing the court to take certain actions in making a disposition on a petition; ~~establishing that making certain cases on the truancy docket are~~ eligible for family support services; clarifying that certain criminal defendants are subject to probation, including probation under certain provisions relating to probation before judgment apply to a defendant charged with a certain offense; ~~authorizing the court to impose certain conditions of probation under certain circumstances~~; establishing that certain criminal defendants are subject to certain additional conditions of probation; establishing that the Maryland Rules govern the format of a certain petition and certain procedures; ~~establishing that the~~ providing for the period for which the court retains jurisdiction over certain petitions and criminal cases under certain circumstances; authorizing a party to appeal a final judgment in accordance with certain procedures laws; authorizing certain criminal charges to be filed in the juvenile court and assigned to a truancy docket; establishing a certain affirmative defense in a certain criminal case; requiring ~~a~~ the court to dismiss certain charges under certain circumstances; specifying the contents of a certain petition; requiring the circuit administrative judge for a certain circuit to submit a certain report on the pilot program; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Truancy Reduction Pilot Program.

BY adding to

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-8C-01 through ~~3-8C-09~~ 3-8C-10, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8C. Truancy Reduction Pilot Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Criminal Procedure

Section 6-220(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 7-301(a)(1), (c), and (e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 7-301(e-1)