

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved April 27, 2004.

CHAPTER 213

(House Bill 971)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Commission on Correctional Standards - Sanctions

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Commission on Correctional Standards to send a letter of reprimand and compliance plan if the Commission determines that a correctional facility is in violation of certain minimum mandatory standards; specifying the contents of the letter plan; requiring the Commission to ~~assess a monetary fine against a correctional facility under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to consider certain factors when determining the amount of the fine; providing that the amount of the fine shall increase for each week, up to a certain number of weeks, if a correctional facility fails to meet the minimum mandatory standards~~ reinspect a correctional facility and send a letter of reprimand if the Commission determines that the correctional facility is in violation of the minimum mandatory standards; specifying the contents of the letter of reprimand; requiring the Commission to conduct a full standards and performance audit of a correctional facility under certain circumstances; requiring the Commission to examine certain issues when conducting the audit; requiring that a correctional facility reimburse the Commission for certain expenses incurred during an audit; requiring the Commission to send a certain letter and conduct an unannounced inspection following the completion of an audit; requiring the Commission to seek a court order against a correctional facility or close all or part of a correctional facility under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the sanctions that the Maryland Commission on Correctional Standards can impose on a correctional facility.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Correctional Services

Section 8-114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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