

(A) (1) The Circuit Administrative Judge of the First Circuit may establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in one or more of the juvenile courts in Dorchester County, Somerset County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County.

(2) THE CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT MAY ESTABLISH A TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM IN THE JUVENILE COURT IN HARFORD COUNTY.

(3) THE CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT MAY ESTABLISH A TRUANCY REDUCTION PILOT PROGRAM IN THE JUVENILE COURT IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

(B) AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGES OF THE FIRST, THIRD, AND SEVENTH CIRCUITS, THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS MAY ACCEPT A GIFT OR GRANT TO IMPLEMENT THE PILOT PROGRAMS IN EACH RESPECTIVE CIRCUIT.

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~~(a) An authorized school official may file with the juvenile court a petition alleging a violation of this subtitle.~~

~~(b) If a child is under the age of 12 years, an authorized school official may file a petition under this subtitle only if~~

~~(1) A criminal charge was filed under § 7-301 of the Education Article against the person with legal custody or care and control of the child at the time of the alleged violation; and~~

~~(2) The court dismissed OR STEPPED the charge in accordance with § 7-301(c-1) of the Education Article.~~

~~3-8C-06.~~

~~(d) In making a disposition on a petition filed under this subtitle, the court may order:~~

~~(1) ORDER the child to:~~

~~(1)(I) Attend school;~~

~~(2)(II) Perform community service;~~

~~(3)(III) Attend counseling, including family counseling;~~