

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

712A.

(A) (1) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY MAY EMPLOY ANY PRISONER WHO HAS BEEN SENTENCED TO A TERM OF IMPRISONMENT AND IS CONFINED IN THE CARROLL COUNTY DETENTION CENTER.

(2) EMPLOYMENT MAY INCLUDE PERFORMANCE OF ANY PUBLIC SERVICE WHICH THE COUNTY PROVIDES AS A MATTER OF COURSE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY.

(B) THE SHERIFF OF CARROLL COUNTY, IN CONSULTATION WITH AND UPON THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY, SHALL ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE PROGRAM, FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE PRISONERS, AND FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PUBLIC AND OF THE DETENTION FACILITY.

~~(C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE SHERIFF AND THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY ARE NOT LIABLE FOR ANY ACT OF PRISONERS EMPLOYED UNDER THIS SECTION OR FOR THEIR ACTIONS IN THE EVENT OF AN ESCAPE.~~

~~(D)~~ (C) FOR EACH CALENDAR MONTH DURING WHICH A PRISONER HAS SHOWN SATISFACTORY INDUSTRY, APPLICATION, AND PROGRESS IN SPECIAL SELECTED WORK PROJECTS, THE PRISONER MAY BE ALLOWED A DEDUCTION OF NOT MORE THAN 5 DAYS OF THE PRISONER'S PERIOD OF COMMITMENT OR SENTENCE.

~~(E)~~ (D) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY MAY AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO PRISONERS EMPLOYED UNDER THIS SECTION, BASED UPON THE NORMAL RATE OF PAY FOR THE JOB PERFORMED AND MAY DEDUCT THEREFROM THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE EMPLOYMENT, INCLUDING TRAINING AND THE COSTS OF IMPRISONMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

Approved May 12, 1992.