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**CHAPTER 508**  
**(House Bill 743)**

AN ACT concerning

**Prince George's County - Inmates - Conditions of Work Release**

**PG 300-98**

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law relating to work release apply to inmates in Prince George's County, unless certain other provisions of law applicable to Prince George's County specifically provide otherwise; and generally relating to work release in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 645K through 645R, inclusive, and 645V  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 645S  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1996 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

**Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments**

645K.

Whenever a person shall be convicted of a crime and sentenced to imprisonment in any county, town or city jail by any court in the counties to which this subtitle applies, the judge imposing sentence may prescribe that insofar as possible the person may continue his regular employment or obtain new employment while serving the term of his sentence, and the judge shall designate either the sheriff or the Division of Parole and Probation to supervise, arrange for or obtain such employment.

If a convicted person has been regularly employed, the sheriff or the Division of Parole and Probation shall arrange for a continuation of said work insofar as possible without interruption. The sheriff or the Division of Parole and Probation shall make every effort to secure some suitable employment for the prisoner if he is not employed in any job. The sheriff or the Division of Parole and Probation shall try to obtain