Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

CHAPTER 679

(House Bill 1038)

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County - Master for Juvenile Causes - Authority

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FOR the purpose of repealing a certain restriction that limits the authority of prohibits judges of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County to appoint or continuing the appointment of masters for juvenile causes only to conduct except for the purpose of conducting certain hearings; repealing a provision of law that prohibits a master in Prince George's County from conducting an a certain adjudicatory or hearing, a disposition hearing, or a peace order proceeding in a delinquency case; and generally relating to masters for juvenile causes in Prince George's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-807
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-807.

- (a) (1) The judges of a circuit court may not appoint a master for juvenile causes arising under this subtitle and Subtitle 8A of this title unless the appointment and the appointee are approved by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals.
- (2) The standards expressed in § 3-806(b) of this subtitle, with respect to the assignment of judges, are applicable to the appointment of masters.