

HOUSE BILL 188

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By: **Delegate Waldstreicher**

Introduced and read first time: January 21, 2010

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Juvenile Services Employees – Required Education**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Correctional Training Commission to require, as a
4 condition of employment, that certain employees possess a degree from an
5 institution of higher education; and generally relating to required education for
6 certain Department of Juvenile Services employees.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Correctional Services
9 Section 8–201(h)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Correctional Services
14 Section 8–209(d)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
18 Article – Education
19 Section 10–101(f)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

24 **Article – Correctional Services**

25 8–201.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (h) (1) “Department of Juvenile Services employee” means a youth
2 supervisor, youth counselor, direct care worker, or other employee of the Department
3 of Juvenile Services whose employment responsibility is the investigation, custody,
4 control, or supervision of minors, juvenile delinquents, and youthful offenders who are
5 committed, detained, awaiting placement, adjudicated delinquent, or are otherwise
6 under the supervision of the Department of Juvenile Services.

7 (2) “Department of Juvenile Services employee” includes an employee
8 of any nonprofit or for-profit entity under contract with the Department of Juvenile
9 Services whose employment responsibility is the investigation, custody, control, or
10 supervision of minors, juvenile delinquents, and youthful offenders as described under
11 paragraph (1) of this subsection.

12 8–209.

13 (d) (1) The Commission shall establish the minimum qualifications for
14 probationary or permanent appointment as a Department of Juvenile Services
15 employee.

16 (2) **THE COMMISSION SHALL REQUIRE AS A CONDITION OF**
17 **EMPLOYMENT THAT A DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES EMPLOYEE**
18 **POSSESS A DEGREE FROM AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS DEFINED**
19 **IN § 10–101 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.**

20 **Article – Education**

21 10–101.

22 (f) “Institution of higher education” means an institution of postsecondary
23 education that generally limits enrollment to graduates of secondary schools, and
24 awards degrees at either the associate, baccalaureate, or graduate level.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 2010.