

HOUSE BILL 488

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CF SB 181

By: **Delegates Ruff, Addison, Attar, Bartlett, Boyce, Conaway, Embry, Kaufman, J. Lewis, McCaskill, Pasteur, Phillips, Rosenberg, Shetty, Simmons, Solomon, Spiegel, Watson, and Young**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2024

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Qualifying Nonprofit Organizations – Training and Reentry Services – Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include a certain appropriation in the annual
4 budget bill for certain fiscal years to provide grants to certain qualifying nonprofit
5 organizations that provide certain services to incarcerated or formerly incarcerated
6 individuals; requiring the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim
7 Services to administer the funds; and generally relating to reentry services and
8 employment opportunities for formerly incarcerated individuals.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Public Safety

11 Section 4–1013

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Public Safety**

17 **4–1013.**

18 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION” MEANS AN**
19 **ORGANIZATION THAT:**

20 **(1) PROVIDES TRAINING AND REENTRY ASSISTANCE FOR**
21 **INCARCERATED AND FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS;**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) PROVIDES TRAINING FOR AT LEAST 50 INCARCERATED OR**
2 **FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS PER YEAR IN AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR;**

3 **(3) IS ABLE TO PROVIDE AN AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR CERTIFICATE FROM**
4 **A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR ORGANIZATION TO ELIGIBLE**
5 **PARTICIPANTS; AND**

6 **(4) DEMONSTRATES A MINIMUM OF A 50% EMPLOYMENT PLACEMENT**
7 **RATE FOR ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS IN A PAID AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR JOB.**

8 **(B) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2026 THROUGH 2028, EACH YEAR THE GOVERNOR**
9 **SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000**
10 **TO BE USED SOLELY AS AN OPERATING GRANT TO QUALIFYING NONPROFIT**
11 **ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING TRAINING TO FORMERLY**
12 **INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS IN AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR.**

13 **(C) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND**
14 **VICTIM SERVICES SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT FUNDS TO QUALIFYING**
15 **NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 4-1008 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

16 **(D) A QUALIFYING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES A GRANT**
17 **UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THE FOLLOWING TO**
18 **THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION,**
19 **YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES:**

20 **(1) PROOF OF THE EXPENDITURE OF THE GRANT FUNDS AND THE**
21 **PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE FUNDS WERE EXPENDED;**

22 **(2) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF INCARCERATED AND FORMERLY**
23 **INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVED SERVICES; AND**

24 **(3) ANY RELATED OUTCOME-BASED PERFORMANCE MEASURES.**

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
26 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 2028,
27 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
28 of no further force and effect.