

HOUSE BILL 500

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CF SB 263

By: **Frederick County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Adult Detention Center – Medical and Dental Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain medical and dental fees for individuals
4 incarcerated in the Frederick County Adult Detention Center; and generally
5 relating to fees charged to individuals in the Frederick County Adult Detention
6 Center.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Correctional Services
9 Section 11–203(c)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Correctional Services**

15 11–203.

16 (c) (1) **[In] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (5) OF THIS**
17 **SUBSECTION, IN** addition to obtaining any reimbursement authorized under
18 subsection (b) of this section and subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection, the
19 governing body of each county shall establish a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$4, for
20 each visit by an inmate in a local correctional facility to an institutional medical unit
21 or noninstitutional physician, dentist, or optometrist.

22 (2) The per visit fee shall be deducted from an inmate's spending
23 financial account, reserve financial account, or similar account held by the managing
24 official on behalf of the inmate.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) The fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the
2 general fund of the county.

3 (4) This subsection does not apply to a visit by an inmate to a medical
4 unit or a physician, dentist, or optometrist if the visit is:

5 (i) required as a part of the intake process;

6 (ii) required for an initial physical examination;

7 (iii) due to a referral by a nurse or physician's assistant;

8 (iv) provided during a follow-up visit that is initiated by a
9 medical professional from the local correctional facility;

10 (v) initiated by a medical or mental health staff member of the
11 local correctional facility; or

12 (vi) required for necessary treatment.

13 **(5) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IN**
14 **FREDERICK COUNTY, THE AMOUNT OF THE REASONABLE FEE TO BE DEDUCTED**
15 **FROM AN INMATE'S SPENDING FINANCIAL ACCOUNT, RESERVE FINANCIAL**
16 **ACCOUNT, OR SIMILAR ACCOUNT HELD BY THE MANAGING OFFICIAL ON BEHALF**
17 **OF THE INMATE MAY NOT EXCEED:**

18 **(I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ITEM (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH,**
19 **\$8 FOR EACH VISIT TO AN INSTITUTIONAL MEDICAL UNIT; AND**

20 **(II) \$35 FOR EACH VISIT TO AN INSTITUTIONAL DENTIST.**

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 October 1, 2012.