

# HOUSE BILL 606

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juvenile Justice Reform Council**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Juvenile Justice Reform Council ~~in the Governor's~~  
4 ~~Office of Crime Control and Prevention~~; providing for the composition, chair, and  
5 staffing of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from receiving certain  
6 compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; specifying the  
7 duties of the Council; requiring the Council to report its findings and  
8 recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before ~~a certain~~  
9 ~~date~~ certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating  
10 to the Juvenile Justice Reform Council.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
12 That:

13 (a) There is a Juvenile Justice Reform Council ~~in the Governor's Office of Crime~~  
14 ~~Control and Prevention~~.

15 (b) The Council consists of the following members:

16 (1) three members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President  
17 of the Senate;

18 (2) three members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of  
19 the House;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (3) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the  
2 Secretary's designee;

3 (4) the Secretary of Juvenile Services, or the Secretary's designee;

4 (5) the Attorney General of Maryland, or the Attorney General's designee;

5 (6) the Public Defender of Maryland, or the Public Defender's designee;

6 (7) a representative of the Maryland Judiciary, appointed by the Chief  
7 Judge of the Court of Appeals;

8 (8) the Secretary of Human Services, or the Secretary's designee;

9 (9) the Secretary of Health, or the Secretary's designee;

10 (10) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the Superintendent's designee;  
11 and

12 (11) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

13 (i) a national expert on youth justice issues;

14 (ii) a representative of a foundation with expertise in juvenile  
15 systems;

16 (iii) a representative of local law enforcement agencies;

17 (iv) a representative of the Maryland State's Attorneys' Association;

18 (v) a youth services provider;

19 (vi) two individuals under the age of 30 years who were under the  
20 supervision of the Department of Juvenile Services, but who are no longer under the  
21 supervision of the Department; and

22 (vii) any other member with expertise relevant to the work of the  
23 Council.

24 (c) The Governor shall appoint the chair of the Council.

25 (d) ~~The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention~~ Department of  
26 Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Council.

27 (e) A member of the Council:

28 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Council; but

1 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State  
2 Travel Regulations.

3 (f) The Council shall:

4 (1) convene an advisory stakeholder group that includes organizations  
5 with experience in:

6 (i) juvenile justice policy reform;

7 (ii) advocating for groups with disproportionate contact with the  
8 juvenile justice and criminal justice systems;

9 (iii) advocating for victims of crime; and

10 (iv) restorative justice;

11 (2) working with the advisory stakeholder group, conduct roundtable  
12 discussion forums seeking public input in all geographic regions of the State;

13 (3) using a data-driven approach, develop a statewide framework of  
14 policies to invest in strategies to increase public safety and reduce recidivism of youth  
15 offenders; and

16 (4) request technical assistance from the Abell Foundation, the Annie E.  
17 Casey Foundation, the Council of State Governments, the Vera Institute of Justice, or  
18 another similar organization.

19 (h) (1) On or before December 1, 2019, the Council shall submit an interim  
20 report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with §  
21 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

22 (2) On or before December 1, 2020, the Council shall ~~report~~ submit a final  
23 report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with §  
24 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
26 1, 2019. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and 1 month and, at the end of June  
27 30, 2021, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be  
28 abrogated and of no further force and effect.