

# SENATE BILL 585

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By: **Senator McCray**

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Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings and Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Warrant Apprehension Reduction Grant**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing warrant apprehension grants; requiring the Governor's  
4 Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services to administer funds for the  
5 grants; and generally relating to warrant apprehension and local law enforcement  
6 agencies.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – Public Safety  
9 Section 4–1008  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY adding to  
13 Article – Public Safety  
14 Section 4–1011  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Public Safety**

20 4–1008.

21 A local government or nonprofit entity that receives funding under this subtitle:

22 (1) may use the funding only in accordance with the provisions of this  
23 subtitle; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(2) shall comply with any data sharing and reporting requirements established by the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services under § 4-1009 of this subtitle as a condition of receiving funding.

**4-1011.**

**(A) IN THIS SECTION, "LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" MEANS:**

**(1) A POLICE DEPARTMENT OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE; OR**

**(2) THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF THAT PROVIDES A LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNCTION IN A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE.**

**(B) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024 THROUGH 2026, EACH YEAR THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$2,000,000 FOR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO BE USED AS GRANTS FOR WARRANT APPREHENSION EFFORTS.**

**(C) (1) THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES SHALL ADMINISTER THE GRANT FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 4-1008 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

**(2) LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES MAY USE THE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:**

**(I) TO REDUCE WARRANTS IN THE AGENCY'S JURISDICTION;**

**(II) TO INCREASE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION BETWEEN LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES REGARDING OUTSTANDING WARRANTS; AND**

**(III) TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING WARRANTS RELATED TO VIOLENT CRIMES.**

**(D) THE FUNDS REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED SOLELY TO SUPPLEMENT, AND NOT SUPPLANT, FUNDS OTHERWISE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR WARRANT APPREHENSION EFFORTS.**

**(E) AN ELIGIBLE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT RECEIVES A GRANT UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THE FOLLOWING TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

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

3           **(2) TOTAL WARRANTS IN EACH COUNTY BY TYPE OF WARRANT AND**  
4 **RELATED OFFENSE;**

5           **(3) TOTAL NUMBER OF WARRANTS REDUCED AND SUSPECTS**  
6 **APPREHENDED, DELINEATED BY OFFENSE; AND**

7           **(4) ANY RELATED OUTCOME-BASED PERFORMANCE MEASURES AS**  
8 **REQUIRED BY § 4-1009 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

9           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
10 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and 6 months and, at the end of  
11 December 31, 2026, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall  
12 be abrogated and of no further force and effect.