

Chapter 742

(Senate Bill 319)

AN ACT concerning

Regulated Firearms – ~~Department of State Police~~ Maryland Judiciary – Reporting Requirements

FOR the purpose of repealing and altering a reporting requirement to require the ~~Department of State Police~~ Maryland Judiciary, instead of the State Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy, to report on the number of charges, convictions, and sentences for certain regulated firearm violations; and generally relating to reporting requirements of the ~~Department of State Police~~ Maryland Judiciary.

BY repealing

- Article – Criminal Procedure
- Section 6–215
- Annotated Code of Maryland
- (2018 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

BY adding to

- Article – Public Safety
- Section 5–148
- Annotated Code of Maryland
- (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 6–215 of Article – Criminal Procedure of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Public Safety

5–148.

(A) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND EACH OCTOBER 1 THEREAFTER, THE ~~DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE~~ MARYLAND JUDICIARY SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE NUMBER OF CHARGES, CONVICTIONS, AND SENTENCES FOR VIOLATIONS OF § 4–203 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE AND § 5–133(D) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE REPORT SHALL BE DISAGGREGATED BY JURISDICTION, RACE, AND GENDER.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2024.

Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2024.