

# SENATE BILL 282

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CF HB 242

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2014

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juvenile Law – Truancy Reduction Pilot Program – Kent County**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Circuit Administrative Judge of the Second  
4 Circuit to establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in  
5 Kent County; making certain provisions relating to a Truancy Reduction Pilot  
6 Program in certain counties applicable to Kent County; and generally relating  
7 to a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in Kent County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
10 Section 3–8C–01  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
15 Section 3–8C–02  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

21 3–8C–01.

22 This subtitle applies only:

23 (1) In a county in which the circuit administrative judge has  
24 established a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program under § 3–8C–02 of this subtitle; and

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (2)    To the extent that funds are provided in an annual State budget  
2 for a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program.

3 3-8C-02.

4           (a)    (1)    The Circuit Administrative Judge of the First Circuit may  
5 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in one or more of the juvenile courts in  
6 Dorchester County, Somerset County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County.

7                   (2)    The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Second Circuit may  
8 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile [court] **COURTS** in **KENT**  
9 **COUNTY AND** Talbot County.

10                   (3)    The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Third Circuit may  
11 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Harford County.

12                   (4)    The Circuit Administrative Judge of the Seventh Circuit may  
13 establish a Truancy Reduction Pilot Program in the juvenile court in Prince George's  
14 County.

15           (b)    After consultation with the administrative judges of the first, second,  
16 third, and seventh circuits, the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals may accept a gift  
17 or grant to implement the pilot programs in each respective circuit.

18           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
19 June 1, 2014.