

# HOUSE BILL 880

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Public Middle Schools – Course on Collateral Consequences of a**  
3 **Criminal Conviction**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to develop curriculum standards  
5 and county boards of education to develop and implement a curriculum for a course  
6 on the collateral consequences of a criminal conviction for public middle school  
7 students in the State; and generally relating to a course on collateral consequences  
8 of a criminal conviction curriculum requirement for public middle school students.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education  
11 Section 7–213  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2022 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 **7–213.**

18 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES OF A CRIMINAL**  
19 **CONVICTION” MEANS THE LEGAL PENALTIES THAT TAKE AWAY AN INDIVIDUAL’S**  
20 **RIGHTS OR ACCESS TO PROGRAMS OR SERVICES, OR THAT IMPOSE ANOTHER TYPE**  
21 **OF DISADVANTAGE THAT PUNISH AN INDIVIDUAL BUT ARE NOT PART OF THE**  
22 **INDIVIDUAL’S SENTENCE IMPOSED AFTER CONVICTION OF A CRIME.**

23 **(B) THE STATE BOARD SHALL DEVELOP AGE–APPROPRIATE CURRICULUM**  
24 **STANDARDS FOR A COURSE ON THE COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES OF A CRIMINAL**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 CONVICTION FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 6 THROUGH 8 IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE  
2 STATE.

3 (C) (1) BEGINNING IN THE 2024–2025 SCHOOL YEAR, EACH COUNTY  
4 BOARD SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CURRICULUM BASED ON THE  
5 COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES OF A CRIMINAL CONVICTION CURRICULUM  
6 STANDARDS DEVELOPED BY THE STATE BOARD UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS  
7 SECTION.

8 (2) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL ENSURE THAT A COURSE ON THE  
9 COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES OF A CRIMINAL CONVICTION IS TAUGHT AT LEAST  
10 ONCE TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 6 THROUGH 8.

11 (D) THE STATE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS  
12 SECTION.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
14 1, 2023.