

MARYLAND JUDICIAL CONFERENCE
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Hon. Joseph M. Getty
Chief Judge

187 Harry S. Truman Parkway
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MEMORANDUM

TO: House Judiciary Committee
FROM: Legislative Committee
Suzanne D. Pelz, Esq.
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RE: House Bill 877
Juveniles Charged As Adults – Confinement
DATE: February 16, 2022
(2/24)
POSITION: Support

The Maryland Judiciary supports House Bill 877. This bill amends CP Title 4, Subtitle 2 related to the confinement of a child who is charged as an adult.

This bill was filed on behalf of the Department of Juvenile Services to comply with certain amendments to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, 34 USC § 11101 et seq., [Public Law 93-415; 88 Stat. 1109], as amended through the Juvenile Justice Reform Act (JJRA), P.L., 115-385, enacted 12.21.18. These JJRA amendments were required to be implemented by the states by December 21, 2021. Failure to comply with the federal law can result in Maryland’s loss of funding under the federal law.

The Judiciary also adopted Form CC-DC-CR-163, Order Concerning Holding a Juvenile Defendant, to implement the requirements of federal law.

cc. Hon. Luke Clippinger
Judicial Council
Legislative Committee
Kelley O’Connor