SENATE BILL 200

By: Senator Zirkin

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CHAPTER _____

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Services – Recidivism – Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Juvenile Services to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year on the recidivism rates of children committed to the Department of Juvenile Services for placement in residential care; establishing that the report shall include recidivism rates by certain regions and by certain facilities residential care programs; specifying certain requirements for the report; and generally relating to a report on recidivism rates of children committed to the Department of Juvenile Services for placement.

BY adding to

Article – Human Services

Section 9–204(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2007 Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

Article – Human Services

9–204.
(1) On or before January 1 of each year, the Secretary shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the recidivism rates of children committed to the Department for placement in residential care.

(2) The report shall include:

(i) recidivism rates for all children committed to the Department for placement in residential care;

(ii) recidivism rates by region for all children committed to the Department for placement in residential care in each of the following regions:

1. Baltimore City;

2. The Central Region;

3. The Western Region;

4. The Eastern Region;

5. The Southern Region; and

6. The Metro Region; and

(iii) recidivism rates by facility for each facility for each residential care program in which a child committed to the Department is placed.

(3) The report shall include data from the prior 3 fiscal years.

(4) The report shall include recidivism rates that are calculated for 1 year and 3 year time frames.

Section 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2011.