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## IMPOSING GRADUATED SANCTIONS UNDER § 6–121 OF THIS SUBTITLE IN RESPONSE TO TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO REVOCATION UNDER § 7–401 OR § 7–504 OF THIS ARTICLE;

4 [(iii)] (VI) regularly inform the Commission of the activities of 5 offenders who are supervised by the Division, INCLUDING, IF REQUESTED BY THE 6 COMMISSION, ANY GRADUATED SANCTIONS IMPOSED UNDER § 6–121 OF THIS 7 SUBTITLE;

8 [(iv)] (VII) issue a warrant for the retaking of an offender charged 9 with a violation of a condition of parole or mandatory supervision, if this authority is 10 delegated by the Commission to the Director of the Division; and

11 [(v)] (VIII) administer the Drinking Driver Monitor Program, collect 12 supervision fees, and adopt guidelines for collecting the monthly program fee assessed in 13 accordance with § 6–115 of this subtitle; and

14 (2) may recommend:

15 (i) that the Commission modify any condition of parole or 16 mandatory supervision; and

17 (ii) that the Commission issue a warrant for the retaking of an 18 offender.

19 (b) Funding for the Drinking Driver Monitor Program shall be as provided in the 20 State budget.

If a court suspends the sentence of an individual convicted of a crime and orders the individual to continue under the supervision of the Division for a specified time or until ordered otherwise, the Division shall:

25 (1) [supervise the conduct of] ADMINISTER A RISK AND NEEDS 26 ASSESSMENT ON the individual;

27 (2) [determine whether the individual is complying with the conditions of 28 probation or suspension of sentence] SUPERVISE THE INDIVIDUAL BASED ON THE 29 RESULTS OF THE RISK AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT CONDUCTED UNDER ITEM (1) OF 30 THIS SECTION; [and]

31(3)DEVELOP AN INDIVIDUALIZED CASE PLAN FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL32ASSESSED AS MODERATE OR HIGH RISK TO REOFFEND;

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1 (4) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, MODIFY THE CONDITIONS 2 OF PROBATION OR SUSPENSION OF SENTENCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPOSING 3 GRADUATED SANCTIONS UNDER § 6–121 OF THIS SUBTITLE IN RESPONSE TO 4 TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO REVOCATION UNDER § 6–223 OR § 5 6–224 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE; AND

6 [(3)] (5) report to the court on the individual's compliance AND, IF 7 REQUESTED BY THE COURT, ANY GRADUATED SANCTIONS IMPOSED UNDER § 6–121 8 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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10 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

11 (2) "Abatement" means an end to active supervision of a supervised 12 individual, without effect on the legal expiration date of the case or the supervised 13 individual's obligation to:

- 14 (i) obey all laws; AND
- 15 (ii) [report as instructed; and

16 (iii)] obtain written permission from the Division of Parole and 17 Probation before relocating the supervised individual's residence outside the State.

18 (3) "Earned compliance credit" means a 20-day reduction from the period 19 of active supervision of the supervised individual for every month that a supervised 20 individual:

(i) exhibits [full compliance] **PROGRESS** with the conditions[,] **AND** goals[, and treatment as part] of the supervised individual's probation, parole, or mandatory release supervision, as determined by the Department;

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(ii) has no new arrests;

25 (iii) has not violated any conditions of no contact imposed on the 26 supervised individual;

(iv) is current on court ordered payments for restitution, fines, and
fees relating to the offense for which earned compliance credits are being accrued; and

(v) is current in completing any community supervision requirements included in the conditions of the supervised individual's probation, parole, or mandatory release supervision.

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Maryland Alliance for Justice Reform (MAJR) played a central 2015 role in advocating and supporting efforts to pass the Justice Reinvestment initiative in Maryland. While the 2016 JRA bill is not perfect from MAJR's viewpoint, its many important reforms could reduce Maryland's prison population by 16% and save \$270 million within 10 years.

By reinvesting those funds in alternatives to incarceration, our state's crime rate also could be reduced, taxpayer funds could be saved, while communities and families are strengthened. For all these reasons, MAJR strongly recommends support and passage of the 2016 Maryland Justice Reinvestment Act. Together, we can work to fill policy gaps and make further improvements through supplemental policy initiatives and legislation in future years.