

HOUSE BILL 890

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Services – Parole Eligibility – Violent Crime Involving a Firearm**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the parole eligibility of a certain inmate who has been
4 sentenced to the Division of Correction after being convicted of a violent crime
5 involving a firearm committed on or after a certain date; and generally relating to
6 parole eligibility.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Correctional Services
9 Section 7–301(c)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2017 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article – Correctional Services**

15 7–301.

16 (c) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph **AND**
17 **PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION**, an inmate who has been sentenced to the Division
18 of Correction after being convicted of a violent crime committed on or after October 1, 1994,
19 is not eligible for parole until the inmate has served the greater of:

20 1. one-half of the inmate’s aggregate sentence for violent
21 crimes; or

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **[(2)] (3)** An inmate who is serving a term of imprisonment for a violent
2 crime committed on or after October 1, 1994, shall receive an administrative review of the
3 inmate's progress in the correctional facility after the inmate has served the greater of:

4 (i) one-fourth of the inmate's aggregate sentence; or

5 (ii) if the inmate is serving a term of imprisonment that includes a
6 mandatory term during which the inmate is not eligible for parole, a period equal to the
7 term during which the inmate is not eligible for parole.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2018.