

# SENATE BILL 446

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Facilities – Released Inmates – Identification Cards**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Commissioner of Correction to issue an  
4 identification card that meets certain requirements to an inmate on release  
5 from a certain State correctional facility; requiring the Commissioner of  
6 Correction to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to identification  
7 cards for released inmates.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Correctional Services  
10 Section 9–609  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1999 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

13 BY adding to  
14 Article – Correctional Services  
15 Section 9–609.1  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1999 Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Correctional Services**

21 9–609.

22 (a) Whenever a date of release from confinement in a State correctional  
23 facility is a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the inmate shall be released on the  
24 first preceding day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) The Commissioner **OF CORRECTION** shall adopt regulations:

2 (1) establishing a release plan for inmates upon release from  
3 confinement in a State correctional facility to help identify resources to assist inmates  
4 following release, including the provision of transportation from the facility for an  
5 inmate upon release; **AND**

6 (2) **IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF § 9-609.1 OF THIS**  
7 **SUBTITLE CONCERNING ISSUANCE OF AN IDENTIFICATION CARD TO INMATES**  
8 **ON RELEASE FROM CONFINEMENT IN A STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.**

9 **9-609.1.**

10 (A) **THE COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTION SHALL ISSUE AN**  
11 **IDENTIFICATION CARD TO AN INMATE ON RELEASE FROM CONFINEMENT IN A**  
12 **STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.**

13 (B) **THE IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF**  
14 **THIS SECTION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN**  
15 **IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUED BY THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION**  
16 **UNDER § 12-301 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.**

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
18 October 1, 2008.