

Sincerely,  
Marvin Mandel  
Governor

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Senate Bill No. 452 - Patuxent Institution -  
Aggressive and Violent Offenders

AN ACT concerning

Aggressive and Violent Offenders

FOR the purpose of providing new and different alternatives for dealing with aggressive and violent offenders; amending the definition of a crime of violence to include the use of a handgun in the commission of a felony or other crime of violence; clarifying the definition of correctional institution as including Patuxent Institution and local or regional jails and detention centers; providing a minimum mandatory sentence for certain persons who have been convicted of three violent crimes; providing for the nonsuspension of such sentence and the conditions under which a person receiving it may be paroled; rewriting the provisions of law concerning defective delinquency and Patuxent Institution; defining terms; providing for Patuxent Institution, its governance and staff; prohibiting certain conflicts of interests; providing procedures for the referral and transfer of persons to Patuxent; providing for the rights, treatment, and rehabilitation, release, and retransfer of persons transferred to Patuxent; providing for the assembling, review, confidentiality, and dissemination of certain information; making persons committed to Patuxent subject to the Interstate Agreement on Detainers; providing certain transition provisions with respect to persons previously committed to Patuxent; correcting certain obsolete references to Executive units; and relating generally to aggressive and violent offenders.

May 26, 1977

Honorable Steny H. Hoyer  
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Dear Mr. President: