

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 29, 1978.

CHAPTER 964

(Hcuse Bill 2031)

AN ACT concerning

Prclation Before Entry of Judgment - Waiver
of Appeal

FOR the purpose of providing that a criminal defendant who consents to and receives a stay of entering of a judgment waives all rights to appeal from the judgment ~~of~~ of guilt by the court at any time; and requiring the court to notify the defendant that consent to the stay of entering the judgment is a waiver of all rights to appeal from the judgment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments
Section 292(b) and 641
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

292.

(b) Whenever any person who has not previously been convicted of any offense under this subheading or under any prior law of this State or the laws of the United States or of any other state relating to controlled dangerous substances defined in this subheading, pleads guilty to or is found guilty of any of the offenses specified in this subheading, the court, if satisfied that the best interests of the person and the welfare of the people of this State would be served thereby may, with the consent of such person stay the entering of the judgment of guilt, defer further proceedings, and place such person on probation subject to such reasonable terms and conditions as may be appropriate and may in addition require that such person undergo inpatient or outpatient treatment for drug abuse. BY CONSENTING TO AND RECEIVING A STAY OF ENTERING OF THE JUDGMENT OF GUILT AS PROVIDED BY THIS SUBSECTION, THE PERSON WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO APPEAL FROM THE JUDGMENT OF GUILT BY