

HOUSE BILL 76

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HB 1304/19 – JUD

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By: **Delegate Grammer**

Introduced and read first time: January 9, 2020

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Procedure – Victims and Witnesses – Restrictions on Release of**
3 **Personal Information**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which a certain person may withhold
5 the address or telephone number of a certain victim, victim’s representative, or
6 witness before a certain trial or adjudicatory hearing; and generally relating to
7 protection of victims and witnesses.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Criminal Procedure
10 Section 11–205
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

16 11–205.

17 On request of the State, a victim of or witness to a [felony] **CRIME** or delinquent act
18 [that would be a felony if committed by an adult], or a victim’s representative, a judge,
19 State’s Attorney, District Court commissioner, intake officer, or law enforcement officer
20 may withhold the address or telephone number of the victim, victim’s representative, or
21 witness before the trial or adjudicatory hearing in a juvenile delinquency proceeding, unless
22 a judge determines that good cause has been shown for the release of the information.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2020.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

