

Section 7.00
REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION

The "**Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act**" is a federal law enacted on October 28, 2000 that provides for the tracking of convicted, registered sex offenders enrolled as students at institutions of higher education, or working or volunteering on campus.

The Act amends the [Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act](#) that requires sex offenders already required to register in a State to provide notice, as required under State law, to each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student. Furthermore, it requires that state procedures ensure that this registration information is promptly made available to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction where the institutions of higher education are located and that it is entered into appropriate State records or data systems.

It also amends the [Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act](#) to require institutions of higher education to issue a statement, in addition to other disclosures required under that Act, advising the campus community where law enforcement agency information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. This notice took place beginning with the annual security report due October 1, 2003.

Lastly the Act amends the [Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974](#) (Referred to as "FERPA") to clarify that nothing in that Act may be construed to prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders; and requires the Secretary of Education to take appropriate steps to notify educational institutions that disclosure of this information is permitted.

Link to the [Sex Offender Registry](#) for Maryland, which provides access to Registrants employed or enrolled at MD Institutions of Higher Education.