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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George’s County – Child Support – Capacity of Minors to Initiate and**
3 **Defend an Action**

4 **PG 308–26**

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing a minor who is the parent of a child to initiate or defend
6 an action for child support; and generally relating to child support.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Family Law

9 Section 12–106

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Family Law**

15 **12–106.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **NOTWITHSTANDING MARYLAND RULE 2-202, A MINOR WHO IS THE PARENT**
2 **OF A CHILD HAS THE CAPACITY AND RIGHT TO INITIATE OR DEFEND AN ACTION FOR**
3 **CHILD SUPPORT, WHETHER PENDENTE LITE OR PERMANENTLY.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2026.