

The General Assembly hereby declares as a matter of legislative policy its conviction that the paramount consideration of this legislation is to provide the juvenile courts in this State with the best and most effective program of treatment, education, and rehabilitation for the youthful offenders who are in need of care, services, or treatment.

The General Assembly recognizes that this legislation is based upon a broad and general study and wishes to stress the importance of the in-depth, detailed study which will produce specific guidelines and formulae to direct the growth and development of the State Department of Juvenile Services.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Article 52A be and it is hereby added to the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Juvenile Services" to follow immediately after Article 52 thereof, and to read as follows:*

*ARTICLE 52A*

*Juvenile Services*

*In General*

1.

*The State Department of Juvenile Services is created and established, with powers, duties, and functions provided in this Article or elsewhere in the laws of this State.*

2.

*The Governor shall appoint the Director of the State Department of Juvenile Services, who shall be the chief administrative officer of the Department. The Director shall be a competent person having adequate training and broad, practical experience in administration and in dealing with institutions and court services for the care, custody and treatment of children in need of such services. He shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of from three to five nominees proposed to the Governor by the State Commissioner of Personnel, after they have taken a qualifying examination prepared for the position. Every Director of the State Department of Juvenile Services shall be appointed and shall hold his position according to the provisions of Article 64A of this Code. He shall be paid for his services such compensation as may be provided from time to time in the budget. The Director shall devote his full time to the duties of his office.*

3.

*(a) An Advisory Board of Juvenile Services is created and established to be attached to the State Department of Juvenile Services. The Board consists of twelve (12) persons to be appointed by the Governor for overlapping three-year terms, with four (4) members of the first Advisory Board to be appointed for three (3) years from July 1, 1966; four (4) for two (2) years from July 1, 1966; and four (4) for one (1) year from July 1, 1966. Thereafter, all members of the Board shall be appointed for terms of*