

*Be It Enacted by the County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, that—*

**SEC. 1.** Section 20-2, Chapter 20, title "Public Welfare," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:

20-2. Same—Administration; use of private agencies, etc.

The County Executive may from time to time whenever he may deem it advisable: (1) in administering any such function as provided for in Section 20-1 of this Code utilize the services of any existing private social welfare agency in the County; and (2) consolidate and place the administration of any and all such functions in any public social welfare agency established by the County or by the State or in any existing private social welfare agency in the County to be designated by the County; provided, that any social welfare agency so utilized, established or designated shall have a qualified professional staff and adequate standards of administration.

**SEC. 2.** Section 20-3, Chapter 20, title "Public Welfare," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

20-3. Private welfare agencies—Official designated to serve, etc.

If, in carrying out any of such functions as provided for in Sections 20-1 or 20-2 of this Code, the County Executive utilizes the services of any existing private social welfare agency, such public official as the County Executive may designate shall be a member of the managing board, or any executive committee thereof, of such agency and shall keep the County Executive at all times informed as to the manner of expenditure of any public funds by such agency, and such agency shall make an annual report of all its receipts and expenditures to the County.

**SEC. 3.** Severability.

The provisions of this Act are severable and if any provision, sentence, clause, section or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of the Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, sentence, clause, section or part had not been included therein, and if the person or circumstances to which the Act or any part thereof is inapplicable had been specifically exempted therefrom.

**SEC. 4.** Effective date.

This Act shall take effect on December 7, 1970.