transferred to the University of Maryland without any further qualifications, without any change or loss of rights or status, and shall retain their merit system status subject to the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all persons who are appointed under the terms of this action to the position of Superintendent of the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center and to scientific and technical positions at the Center who were on December 31, 1976 members of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland shall transfer all prior service to which they were entitled on December 31, 1976 to the Teachers' Retirement System from January 1, 1977 without any loss of rights, benefits, or status, subject to the provisions of this Act. All classified employees of the Center who were on December 31, 1976 members of the State Employees' Retirement System shall retain their status in that system under the provisions of this Act from January 1, 1977 without any loss of rights, benefits, or status.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

## CHAPTER 678

(House Bill 768)

AN ACT concerning

State Funding - Youth [[Service Bureau Programs]]
Services Bureaus

FOR the purpose of providing certain State funding for certain Youth [[Service Bureau programs;]] Service Bureaus; providing for the definition of Youth Services Bureau; providing for the Department of Juvenile Services' implementation of certain rules and regulations governing the eligibility, evaluation and approval of youth service programs; and providing for the availability of funds in the State budget and rules for the disbursement of the funds to the local subdivisions.

BY adding to

Article 52A - Juvenile Services Section 20 Annotated Code of Maryland