

CHAPTER 33

(Senate Bill 159)

AN ACT concerning

Food Stamp Program

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the implementation and administration of the food stamp program in the City of Baltimore and all counties of the State rests with the Department of Human Resources, rather than the Social Services Administration; and generally relating to the implementation and administration of the food stamp program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 88A - Social Services Administration
Section 88
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1985 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

88.

(a) The [Social Services Administration] DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES may implement, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food Stamp Act, a food stamp program in which the City of Baltimore and all counties of the State shall participate and for which the State shall bear the nonfederal portion of the administrative costs for the respective jurisdictions. The food stamp program shall be administered by the City of Baltimore and all counties of the State under the supervision and control of the [Social Services Administration] DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES and in conformity with the rules and regulations of the [Social Services Administration] DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES and applicable federal statutes, rules and regulations.

(b) If requested by the [Social Services Administration] DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, the City of Baltimore and all counties of the State shall enter into a written agreement with the [Social Services Administration] DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES providing for the implementation and administration of the food stamp program in the City of Baltimore and all counties of the State.

(c) (1) In the event that the City of Baltimore or any of the counties of the State fails or refuses to participate in and