

CHAPTER 595

(House Bill 767)

AN ACT concerning

Individuals With Disabilities and Parents of Minors with Disabilities - Service Animals

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law establishing certain rights and privileges for individuals with certain disabilities to include all individuals with disabilities and the parents of a minor child with a disability; altering certain provisions of law relating to use of service animals by individuals with certain disabilities to include all individuals with disabilities and the parents of a minor child with a disability; altering certain provisions of law relating to access by service animal trainers to certain places; altering the scope of certain provisions of law; defining certain terms; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to individuals with disabilities, the parents of a minor child with a disability, and service animals.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Human Services
Section 7-701, 7-704, and 7-705
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2007 Volume)

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

Article - Human Services

7-701.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Blind" means:

(1) a visual acuity not exceeding 20/200 in the better eye with corrective lenses; or

(2) a visual field of which the widest diameter subtends an angle of not more than 20 degrees.

(c) "Deaf" means a permanent hearing loss: