

## CHAPTER 9

(House Bill 12)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 40 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Miscellaneous Provisions", changing the name of the Bureau of Child Hygiene to "Bureau of Maternal and Child Health".

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 40 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Miscellaneous Provisions", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

40. The Bureau of Maternal and Child Health shall investigate the causes of infant mortality and the diseases of pregnancy, parturition, infancy and early childhood, and shall devise and institute preventive measures for their control; it shall promote the welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy; and perform such other duties and exercise such other functions as the State Board of Health or the Director thereof shall designate. Provided, that no official, agent or representative of this bureau shall enter any home or take charge of any child over the objection of any parent or guardian of such child or the person having the custody of such child, and no such official, agent or representative shall attempt to enforce any treatment or correction, except with the consent of the parents of such child or the person standing in loco parentis.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved March 4, 1949.

## CHAPTER 10

(House Bill 13)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 35 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Evidence", sub-title "Public Statutes and Office Copies and Official Certificates", said new section to be known as Section 86A, and to follow immediately after Section 86 of said Article, providing that