

gether with regular interest thereon. The State shall make a matching contribution for the same period and also shall pay the prior service credit for such person, as provided hereinabove.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1951.

Approved February 12, 1951.

CHAPTER 6

(Senate Bill 22)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 7 of Article 62 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Marriages", relating to the papers and records as to the marriages of certain minors.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 7 of Article 62 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Marriages", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

7. (a) It shall be unlawful within the State for any female below the age of sixteen years or any male below the age of eighteen years to marry, or for a parent or guardian to permit any such female or male to marry, or for any female between the ages of sixteen and eighteen years, or for any male under the age of twenty-one years to marry, unless the parent or guardian of such male or female, in person or by signed affidavit, assent thereto, and, in the case of a female, swear or affirm that she is over the age of sixteen years, and, in the case of a male, swear or affirm that he is over the age of eighteen years. Provided, however, that on the certificate of a licensed physician, presented with the application for a marriage license, to the effect that the girl is pregnant or has given birth to a child, a marriage license may be issued without the consent of her parent or guardian, and if the putative father of the child or prospective child of a girl under eighteen years of age is over sixteen years of age, a marriage license may be issued without the consent of his parents or guardian.

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.