

*insurer is or becomes insolvent or otherwise unable to pay claims, in like manner and to like extent as for damage caused by a motor vehicle as to which no liability insurance exists.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.*

Approved April 8, 1965.

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CHAPTER 376

(House Bill 196)

AN ACT to add new Sections 707 to 717, inclusive, to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Supplement), title "Health," to follow immediately after Section 706 thereof, and to be under the new subtitle "Group Day Care Centers," providing for the licensing and regulation of group day care centers for the care of certain children, specifying the duties of local and State Health officers, and of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene in the administration and enforcement of this Act, and relating generally to the licensing and regulation of group day care centers, the requirements for establishing and operating such facilities, and the duties of certain State and local officers in connection therewith.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Sections 707 to 717, inclusive, be and they are hereby added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Supplement), title "Health," to follow immediately after Section 706 thereof, and to be under the new subtitle "Group Day Care Centers," and to read as follows:*

*Group Day Care Centers*

*Declaration of Policy*

707.

*It is declared to be the policy of the State of Maryland that the condition of childhood is such that the child is not capable of self protection, and when the child's care is given over to others, certain mental and physical risks arise calling for reasonable protective measures to offset these risks. Since the basic purpose is to protect children, the measure of accomplishment of the purpose is not to limit a parent in securing the help of responsible relatives or friends in giving day care to his children. Rather, it is to aid parents and protect children from the risk present when their children are cared for by individuals other than relatives or friends and when children of more than one family are cared for together or use the same facilities on different days.*

708.

*As used in this subtitle,*

(1) "Person" means any individual, individuals, association, or