

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1966.

Approved May 6, 1966.

CHAPTER 520
(Senate Bill 136)

AN ACT to add new Sections 365 to 373, inclusive, to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments", to follow immediately after Section 364 thereof and to be under the new subtitle "33. Interstate Compact on Juveniles", directing the Governor to execute the so-called "Interstate Compact on Juveniles", providing generally for the care and handling of juveniles in this State, establishing certain powers and duties of said officials with relation to juveniles, and relating generally to the "Interstate Compact on Juveniles".

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That new Sections 365 to 373, inclusive, be and they are hereby added to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments", to follow immediately after Section 364 thereof, to be under the new subtitle "33. Interstate Compact on Juveniles", and to read as follows:

33. Interstate Compact on Juveniles

365. It is hereby found and declared: (1) that juveniles who are not under proper supervision and control, or who have absconded, escaped or run away, are likely to endanger their own health, morals and welfare, and the health, morals and welfare of others; (2) that the cooperation of this State with other states is necessary to provide for the welfare and protection of juveniles and of the people of this State.

It shall therefore be the policy of this State, in adopting the Interstate Compact on Juveniles, to cooperate fully with other states: (1) in returning juveniles to such other states whenever their return is sought; and (2) in accepting the return of juveniles whenever a juvenile residing in this State is found or apprehended in another state, and in taking all measures to initiate proceedings for the return of such juveniles.

366. The Governor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a compact on behalf of this State with any other state or states legally joining therein in the form substantially as follows:

TEXT OF THE INTERSTATE COMPACT ON JUVENILES

The contracting states solemnly agree:

ARTICLE I—Findings and Purposes

That juveniles who are not under proper supervision and control, or who have absconded, escaped or run away, are likely to endanger