

CHAPTER 220

(House Bill 1267)

AN ACT to provide for the establishment of the Maryland-Virginia boundary line eastward from Assateague Island.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Maryland,* That the boundary line between Maryland and Virginia eastward from Assateague Island shall be, and hereby is, established and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Maryland-Virginia Line located on Assateague Island designated as station "Pope Island Life Saving Station (1907)" defined by Latitude 38 degrees 01 minutes 36.93 seconds and Longitude 75 degrees 14 minutes 47.105 seconds; thence running N 84 degrees 05 minutes 43.5 seconds E (true)—1,100.00 feet to station "Atlantic"; thence due East (true) to the Maryland-Virginia Jurisdictional Limit.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 15, 1970

CHAPTER 221

(House Bill 1269)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 74 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," to provide for reference to long-term care short of adoption in the statement of consent to accompany petitions for adoption.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 74 of Article 16 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Chancery," subtitle "Adoption," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

74.

Every petition for adoption shall be accompanied by written statements of consent, subscribed and sworn to before a person authorized by law to administer an oath, as specified in this section, except that the court may in its discretion permit any petition to be filed without a necessary consent if such consent is added to the petition before the time set for hearings. However, the court may grant a petition for adoption without any of the consents hereinafter specified, if, after a hearing the court finds that such consent or consents are withheld contrary to the best interests of the child.

Consent to any proposed adoption shall be obtained from: