

CHAPTER 601

(House Bill 1186)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 135A(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Practitioners of Medicine," to lower the age of a minor who may give valid consent to diagnosis and ~~treatment~~ CONSULTATION for a mental or emotional disorder he has or professes to have.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 135A(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Practitioners of Medicine," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

135A.

(a) A minor who has attained the age of [18] ~~16~~ years and who has or professes to have a mental or emotional disorder may consent to diagnosis ~~or treatment~~ AND CONSULTATION of the disorder by a physician or clinic. Consent given under this section shall have in all respects the same effect as if the minor had reached majority.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

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CHAPTER 602

(House Bill 1197)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, subsections (b) and (c) and adding new subsections (d) and (e) to Section 357C of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Forests and Parks," subheading "Program Open Space"; to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 357D(b), 357E(A) ~~and~~ , 357G(a) AND 357G(C) of the same Article, title, subtitle and subheading; and to repeal Section 357G(d) of the same Article, title, subtitle and subheading and enact new Section 357G(d) in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed; to change a certain definition to add other definitions, to eliminate a certain exception regarding the utilization of funds available under Project Open Space; to provide that municipal corporations and governmental agencies may apply for a grant for local projects by submitting their applications through the subdivisions; and to provide a formula for the utilization of the funds allocated a county for local projects of acquisition and development of outdoor recreational and open space areas; and relating generally thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 357C(c) and 357C(d) be and they are hereby