

SECTION 1. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Sections 141A through 141F, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Chapter 11A. Sheltered Workshop Employment", be and they are hereby added to Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement), to read as follows:

Article 77 - Public Education

CHAPTER 11A. SHELTERED WORKSHOP EMPLOYMENT

[[38]] 141A. DEFINITIONS.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "DISABLED PERSON" MEANS ONE:

(1) WHO HAS A SEVERE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITY WHICH SERIOUSLY LIMITS HIS FUNCTIONAL CAPACITIES SUCH AS MOBILITY, COMMUNICATION, SELF-CARE, SELF-DIRECTION, WORK TOLERANCE, WORK SKILLS IN TERMS OF EMPLOYABILITY;

(2) WHOSE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION CAN BE EXPECTED TO REQUIRE MULTIPLE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES OVER AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME; AND

(3) WHO HAS ONE OR MORE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITIES RESULTING FROM AMPUTATION, ARTHRITIS, BLINDNESS, CANCER, CEREBRAL PALSY, CYSTIC FIBROSIS, DEAFNESS, HEART DISEASE, HEMIPLEGIA, HEMOPHILIA, RESPIRATORY OR PULMONARY DYSFUNCTION, MENTAL RETARDATION, MENTAL ILLNESS, MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS, MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY, MUSCULOSKELETAL DISORDERS, NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS INCLUDING STROKE AND EPILEPSY, PARAPLEGIA, QUADRAPLEGIA AND OTHER SPINAL CORD CONDITIONS, SICKLE CELL ANEMIA, AND END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE, OR ANOTHER DISABILITY OR COMBINATION OF DISABILITIES DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF AN EVALUATION OF REHABILITATION POTENTIAL TO CAUSE COMPARABLE SUBSTANTIAL FUNCTIONAL LIMITATION.

(C) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

(D) "SHELTERED WORKSHOP" MEANS:

(1) AN OCCUPATION-ORIENTED PLACE OR FACILITY;

(2) OPERATED BY A PRIVATE NONPROFIT AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION;