

AN ACT concerning

Alcohol Education Program

FOR the purpose of requiring the implementation of a program of health education dealing with abuse of alcohol.

BY [[repealing and reenacting, with amendments,]] adding to

Article 77 - Public Education
Section [[88A]] 88B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, [[That Section 88A of Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:]] That new section 88B be and it is hereby added to Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement), to read as follows:

Article 77 - Public Education

[[88A.

The State Board of Education shall develop and implement a program of [drug] HEALTH education, SPECIFICALLY DEALING WITH ABUSE OF ALCOHOL, TO BE IMPLEMENTED NO LATER THAN THE FALL OF 1978 in [the] ALL public PRIMARY schools PRIOR TO THE SIXTH GRADE. The program shall be [instituted prior to the sixth grade in all public schools as soon as practicable] TAUGHT by instructors who have been [trained in the field of drug education.] ESPECIALLY TRAINED TO TEACH AN ALCOHOL ABUSE EDUCATION PROGRAM. The State Board of Education shall establish criteria for determining how a teacher may be deemed to be "trained in the field of [drug education] ALCOHOL ABUSE EDUCATION" for purposes of this section. Such programs shall be coordinated with [other] State agencies SPECIFICALLY responsible for [drug] ALCOHOL abuse education and control.]]

88B.

THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM OF HEALTH EDUCATION, SPECIFICALLY DEALING WITH ABUSE OF ALCOHOL, WHICH MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM OF DRUG EDUCATION AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 88A OF THIS ARTICLE, TO BE IMPLEMENTED NO LATER THAN THE FALL OF 1978 [[IN ALL SCHOOLS BEGINNING IN THE FOURTH GRADE. THE PROGRAM SHALL BE TAUGHT BY INSTRUCTORS WHO HAVE BEEN