

(1972 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 20 be and it is hereby added to Article 52A - Juvenile Services, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 52A - Juvenile Services

20.

(A) IN THIS SECTION "YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU" MEANS PROGRAMS:

(1) BASED IN COMMUNITIES EXPERIENCING JUVENILE CRIME FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING COMMUNITY ORIENTED DELINQUENCY PREVENTION, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, AND AN AMELIORATION OF CONDITIONS WHICH BREED DELINQUENCY AND FAMILY DISRUPTION;

(2) PROVIDING SERVICES ON A COST FREE[, NON-COERCIVE]] BASIS;

(3) WHICH FUNCTION AS ADVOCATES OF YOUTH NEEDS;

(4) [[MANDATED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES TO]] WHICH PROVIDE COUNSELING (INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, AND GROUP), REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICES, CRISIS INTERVENTION, AND INFORMAL CONSELING; AND

(5) WHICH PROVIDE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARTICULAR COMMUNITY NEEDS, TUTORING, ALTERNATIVE LEISURE ACTIVITIES, EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE, COMMUNITY EDUCATION, AND OTHER SPECIALIZED SERVICES AT CONVENIENT HOURS.

[[(A) THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU PROGRAMS.]]

(B) THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES SHALL:

(1) PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU PROGRAMS;

[[(1)]] (2) [[ANNUALLY]] MONITOR THE OPERATIONS OF EACH YOUTH [[SERVICE]] SERVICES BUREAU PROGRAM AND ANNUALLY EVALUATE ITS EFFECTIVENESS;

[[(2)]] (3) [[ELIMINATE]] CEASE FUNDING OF ANY YOUTH [[SERVICE PROGRAM WHICH IS INEFFECTIVE; AND]] SERVICES BUREAU PROGRAM WHICH IS INEFFECTIVE OR WHICH FOR TWO YEARS HAS FAILED TO MEET THE GUIDELINES FOR OPERATION; AND