(F) THE COMPTROLLER MAY WITHHOLD FUNDS, AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (D), FROM ANY COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY THAT FAILS TO COMPLY WITH SUBSECTION (E) ABOVE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved May 17, 1976.

CHAPTER 778

(House Bill 1478)

AN ACT concerning

Children - Support Enforcement

FOR the purpose of requiring the Social Services Administration to establish a program for recovery of child support payments; establishing, within the Administration, a Division of Child Support Enforcement to complement the recovery program; delineating the powers and duties of the Division; enabling the Division to accept assignments of certain rights in support; requiring certain persons to assign rights in support to the Division; providing for representation of the Division and recipients of its services in certain actions for recovery of support; modifying the provisions relating to paternity proceedings to require that blood tests be performed at approved laboratories; to specify that support orders constitute a lien of earnings; to require notice to the employer of the defendant; and to provide for payments of the ordered amount; and generally relating to enforcement of child support obligations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 88A - Social Services Administration Section 3(a) and (b), 5A, 13(c), and 48 Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article 88A - Social Services Administration Section 58 Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)