to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 26, 1977.

CHAPTER 863

(Senate Bill 493)

AN ACT concerning

Public Bodies - Meetings

FOR the purpose of requiring meetings of public bedies to be open to the public except in setting instances; requiring advance notice of open meetings; requiring public bedies to keep minutes; providing for the orderly conduct of open meetings; authorizing certain actions to have declared void certain decisions or actions of public bedies made in wilful violation of the notice and copen meetings requirements; providing certain canctions for members of public bedies wilfully participating in violations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to meetings of public bedies.

FOR the purpose of requiring certain public bodies in the exercise of certain functions to hold open meetings; to give notice of their meetings and to keep minutes; allowing meetings of such public bodies to be closed for certain specified and other reasons; providing for the orderly conduct of open meetings; providing for judicial enforcement of this subtitle; providing that this subtitle is to prevail over conflicting provisions of other laws unless they are more stringent; and generally relating to the meetings of public bodies.

EY renumbering

Article 76A - Public Information Section 7 through 22, respectively to be Section 45 16 through 30 31, respectively Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 76A - Public Information
Section 7 through 44 15, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Meetings of Public Bodies"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)