shall be construed only prospectively and the provisions of this Act apply only to offenses committed on or after the effective date of this Act, and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect upon or application to any event or happening occuring prior to the effective date of this Act; and the repeal or amendment by this Act of crimes and offenses existing prior to the effective date of this Act does not preclude the prosecution of persons who, prior to the effective date of this Act, committed those crimes and offenses as those crimes and offenses then existed.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1978.

CHAPTER 850

(Senate Bill 1177)

AN ACT concerning

Public Education - Handicapped Children

FOR the purpose of requiring that each county board of education plan and he responsible for the education of school age children presently in day care centers under jurisdiction of the Mental Retardation Administration; permitting the State Superintendent of Schools, for a certain period of time, to allow a child to remain in a day care center under certain conditions; and generally relating to the responsibility of the county boards of education for the education of certain children.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education Section 8-404(b) and 8-411(c) Annotate c Code of Maryland (As enacted by Chapter _____ of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1978)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as enacted by Chapter _____ of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1978) he repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Education

8-404.

(b) Fach plan shall provide for the education of all