

AN ACT concerning

Blood Donors - Minors

FOR the purpose of permitting certain minors to donate blood to certain blood programs without parental permission; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health
Section 76A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

76A.

(A) "BLOOD PROGRAM" MEANS ANY VOLUNTARY AND NONCOMPENSATORY PROGRAM FOR THE DRAWING OF BLOOD, WHICH PROGRAM IS APPROVED BY THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF BLOOD BANKS OR THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

(B) [Notwithstanding] DESPITE any other provisions of the law, any minor [eighteen (18)] 17 years of age or older may donate blood TO ANY BLOOD PROGRAM without parental permission or authorization, providing that no monetary compensation is PAID OR received.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 6, 1980.

CHAPTER 298

(Senate Bill 246)

AN ACT concerning

Jury Trials in Criminal Cases

FOR the purpose of eliminating the right to jury trial for certain criminal offenses, unless the penalty for the offense meets certain criteria or unless there is a constitutional right to jury trial for the offense.
