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Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1980 accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 1197.

Sincerely,
Harry Hughes
Governor

House Bill No. 1213

AN ACT concerning

Juveniles - Psychiatric Commitment

FOR the purpose of providing that ~~the court may commit a child for emergency or other psychiatric hospitalization based on certain findings, providing for the commitment procedure, providing for duties of the superintendent of the facility, providing a procedure for an alternative disposition to a mental health commitment, and generally relating to the psychiatric commitment of children~~ a child may be committed to certain mental health facilities under certain conditions; requiring a committing court to make certain findings and conduct certain hearings; and generally relating to the commitment of juveniles to certain mental health facilities.

May 27, 1980

Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1213.

This bill provides that the court may place a child in an emergency facility on an emergency basis if there is no less restrictive alternative and if the child has a mental disorder, is unable or unwilling to be voluntarily committed and needs inpatient treatment for himself and others.

Senate Bill 160, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1980 accomplishes the