BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health Section 708 Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1980 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 88A - Social Services Administration

32A.

- [(a) No person, firm, corporation or agency may provide family day care for children in this State unless licensed therefor by the State Department of Social Services. "Family day care" is defined for the purposes of this section as care given in lieu of parental care to from one to not more than four children under the age of sixteen, in a facility located outside of the home of the child's parents or legal guardian, for a part of a twenty-four hour day, if compensation is paid for the care. A "family day care home" is defined as the facility where the care is provided.]
- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, "FAMILY DAY CARE" MEANS CARE GIVEN IN LIEU OF PARENTAL CARE TO A NUMBER OF CHILDREN AS SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBSECTION, IN A FACILITY LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE HOME OF THE CHILD'S PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, FOR A PART OF A 24 HOUR DAY, IF COMPENSATION IS PAID FOR THE CARE.
- (2) A "FAMILY DAY CARE HOME" MEANS THE FACILITY WHERE THE CARE IS PROVIDED.
- (3) A PERSON, FIRM, CORPORATION OR AGENCY MAY NOT PROVIDE FAMILY DAY CARE IN THIS STATE WITHOUT A LICENSE FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL-SERVICES HUMAN RESOURCES.
- (4)--THE-NUMBER-OF-CHILDREN-PERMITTED-IN-CARE-AT A--FAMILY-DAY-CARE-HOME-DEPENDS-ON-THE-ACES-OF-THE-CHILDREN, AND-THE-LICENSEE'S-OWN-CHILDREN-NOT-YET--ENROLLED--IN--FIRST GRADE-COUNT-TOWARD-THE-GROUP-SIZE-LIMITATION+
- (1)--A--FAMILY--DAY--CARE--LICENSEE-MAY-NOT CARE-FOR-MORE-THAN-THREE-CHILDREN-UNDER-2-YEARS-OF-AGE;