

FOR the purpose of limiting access to information maintained in the Central Registry to agencies authorized to take immediate action to protect children; and correcting an obsolete agency designation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 35A(k)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1976 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 27 - Crimes and Punishments

35A.

(k) The State [Department of Social Services] SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION shall and each local department of social services may maintain a central registry of cases reported under this section, which data shall be furnished by the respective local departments of social services throughout the State of Maryland [and]. [this] THIS data shall be at the disposal of PROTECTIVE SERVICES STAFF OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, PROTECTIVE SERVICES STAFF OF local departments of social services, WHO ARE INVESTIGATING A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE, [social agencies, public health agencies, law enforcement agencies, as well as licensed health practitioners and health and education institutions licensed or regulated by the State of Maryland.] AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WHO ARE INVESTIGATING A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved May 19, 1981.

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CHAPTER 771

(House Bill 1258)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore-County Baltimore and Howard Counties -  
Alcoholic Beverages - Open Containers

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the possession of alcoholic beverages in open containers in certain places in Baltimore County and Howard Counties.