

In subsection (b)(2)(iv) of this section, the reference to the annual budget "of the State facility" is added for clarity.

Defined terms: "Board" § 7-304
 "Mentally retarded individual" § 7-101
 "Secretary" § 1-101 "State facility", § 7-101

7-315. RESERVED.

7-316. RESERVED.

PART III. PUBLIC GROUP HOMES.

7-317. LEGISLATIVE POLICY.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

(1) THERE IS A NEED FOR PUBLIC GROUP HOMES FOR THOSE MENTALLY RETARDED INDIVIDUALS WHOSE DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE ENHANCED BY LIVING IN AN APPROPRIATE, COMMUNITY BASED, PUBLIC GROUP HOME INSTEAD OF A LARGE STATE INSTITUTION OR OTHER SIMILAR PUBLIC FACILITY;

(2) THESE COMMUNITY BASED, PUBLIC GROUP HOMES ARE NECESSARY COMPONENTS IN MEETING THE RESIDENTIAL NEEDS OF MENTALLY RETARDED INDIVIDUALS; AND

(3) TO ASSURE, AS FAR AS POSSIBLE, THAT A COMMUNITY WILL ACCEPT A PUBLIC GROUP HOME, THE PUBLIC GROUP HOME SHOULD BE LOCATED:

(I) AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT;

(II) WITH STATE FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT; AND

(III) IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF NORMALIZATION AND STATEWIDE STANDARDS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 59A, § 19A.

The only changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Group home" § 7-101
 "Mentally retarded individual" § 7-101
 "Public facility" § 7-101

7-318. RULES AND REGULATIONS.

(A) IN GENERAL.