

(f) Upon request, the Department of State Police shall provide technical assistance to a local law enforcement agency which is investigating a report of suspected child abuse concerning a family day care home.

5-558.

This Part V of this subtitle may not be construed to impair or limit the authority granted to the Department of Human Resources, the STATE Department of Education, or the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene under any other provision of the Code unless that provision necessarily is inconsistent with this Part V of this subtitle.

5-559.2.

(a) The [Secretary of the Department] STATE SUPERINTENDENT may delegate the authority to approve direct grants to any board which exists or may be created within the Department.

(b) A grant made under this subtitle shall be awarded as a reimbursement for the expenses incurred by a family day care provider to comply with State and local regulations.

5-570.

(a) In this Part VII of this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Child" means an individual under the age of 16 years.

(c) (1) "Child care center" means an agency, institution, or establishment that, for part or all of a day, or on a 24-hour basis on a regular schedule, and at least twice a week, offers or provides child care to children who do not have the same parentage except as otherwise provided for in law or regulation.

(2) "Child care center" shall include a nonpublic nursery school in which an instructional program is offered or provided for children who are under the age of 5 years.

(3) "Child care center" does not include:

(i) a nonpublic kindergarten in which an instructional program is offered or provided for children who are at least 5 years old;

(ii) a nonpublic elementary school in which an instructional program is offered or provided for children who are in grades 1 through 8;

(iii) a child care home, a child care institution, or other child care facility that offers or provides a residential placement for a child and is established, licensed, or registered under this subtitle, Article 83C of the Code, or Title 10 of the Health - General Article; or

(iv) a family day care home that is required to be registered or is registered under this subtitle.