CHAPTER 421

(House Bill 543)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Human Resources - Advisory Council

FOR the purpose of abolishing the Board of Social Services and creating the Department of Human Resources Advisory Council; establishing the composition, terms, and functions of the Council; proving that the exercise of all authority, duties, and functions vested in the Social Services Administration and the State Director of Social Services shall be subject to the Secretary of Human Resources; providing for the appointment of the State Director of Social Services by the Secretary of Human Resources; repealing certain obsolete references; and generally relating to certain advisory bodies for the Department of Human Resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 88A - Social Services Administration Section 1, 1A, and 2 Annotated Code of Maryland (1979 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

By adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative Departments Section 205D Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 88A - Social Services Administration

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(a) There is hereby created and established a State Administration, to be known as the "Social Services Administration," hereinafter referred to as the "State Administration" or as the "State Department." [There shall be a "Board of Social Services," hereinafter referred to as the "State Board," composed of nine members appointed by the Secretary of Employment and Social Services, with the approval of the Governor, one of whom shall be designated by the Secretary as chairman. All members of the State Board shall hold office for