

HOMEOWNER UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE ASSIGNED TO THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved May 27, 1986.

CHAPTER 706

(House Bill 22)

AN ACT concerning

Adoption - Consent - Racial or Religious Considerations

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the executive head of a child placement agency from withholding consent to certain adoptions for the sole reason that the race or religion of the prospective adoptive parents is different from that of the individual to be adopted or of the birth parents, under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law
Section 5-311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article - Family Law

5-311.

(a) Unless the natural parents' rights have been terminated by a judicial proceeding, an individual may not be adopted without the consent of:

(1) the natural mother;

(2) the natural father; and

(3) the individual, if the individual is at least 10 years old.

(b) (1) If the natural parents' rights have been terminated by a judicial proceeding, an individual may not be adopted without the consent of: